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Annual Report

TOWN OF MENDON

Massachusetts

FOR THE YEAR 1967

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

including the report of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

for the

MUNICIPAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1967

301st ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Henry Clough and Mr. Kenneth Taylor present Governor John Volpe with copy of the Mendon Tercentenary book.

Governor John Volpe signs proclamation declaring "Mendon Week" June 18 - 25. *With the governor, left to right, Mr. Henry Clough, Mr. Kenneth Taylor, Mr. Arthur Weirsma and Mr. Frank Dudley.*

"Mendon's Big Weekend"

MENDON, MASSACHUSETTS

300th Anniversary Commemorative Coin

1667-1967

1630 1930
FIRST MEETINGHOUSE
HERE STOOD MENDON'S FIRST MEETINGHOUSE, BUILT IN 1668 AND DESTROYED BY INDIANS IN 1676. JOSEPH EMERSON, THE MINISTER, WAS AN ANCESTOR OF RALPH WALDO EMERSON.
MASSACHUSETTS BAY COLONY
TERCENTENARY COMMISSION

"Spirit of Pioneers Lives Again"

"They Came from Everywhere to Watch"

TOWN OF MENDON

Town of Mendon Incorporated May 15, 1667

Population 2310, 1965 Census

Registered Voters in 1967, 1222

Annual Election: Fourth Monday in March

Annual Meeting:
Succeeding Friday Evening after the Fourth Monday in March

County Commissioners:

William H. Cassidy	Dudley
Joseph A. Aspero, Chairman	Worcester
Paul X. Tivnan	Paxton

Fourteenth Congressional District:

Congressman Margaret Heckler	Wellesley

Fourth Senatorial District:

James A. Kelly, Jr.	Oxford

Eighth Worcester Representative District:

Representatives General Court:

F. Leo Kenney	Uxbridge
Harold Gould	Blackstone

Sheriff of Worcester County:

Joseph A. Smith	Leominster

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
Henry P. Clough

Selectmen

Kenneth Taylor, Chairman	Term expires 1967
E. Theodore Giatas	Term expires 1968
Arthur Wiersma	Term expires 1969

Board of Public Welfare
Fence Viewers

E. Theodore Giatas	Arthur Wiersma	Kenneth Taylor

Town Clerk
Emily L. H. Coleman

Town Treasurer

Roland A. Kinsley	Term expires 1970

Tax Collector

Philip W. Harding	Term expires 1970

Assessors

Thomas D. Hackenson, Chairman	Term expires 1970
Walter J. Channing	Term expires 1969
Charles H. Wood	Term expires 1968

Constables

Paul Tyler	Term expires 1970
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.	Term expires 1969
Raymond W. Rogers	Term expires 1968

School Committee

Arthur F. Johnson	Term expires 1970
Richard L. Childs	Term expires 1969
*H. William Thatcher	Term expires 1968

*Harris Loring, Jr. appointed to fill unexpired term

Board of Health

Edward J. Lamothe, Chairman	Term expires 1968
Ruthann M. Roy, Clerk	Term expires 1969
Melba J. Armour	Term expires 1970

Regional School District Committee – Mendon Members

L. Everett Murch, Treasurer	Term expires 1970
Arthur F. Johnson	Term expires 1969
James H. Grant	Term expires 1968

Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District
(Mendon Representative)

J. Gerard Sweeney	Term expires 1968

Superintendent of Schools
Kenneth L. Sharp

Trustees of Taft Public Library

E. Jane Coleman, Secretary	Term expires 1968
Henry P. Clough	Term expires 1969

Richard L. Childs Kenneth L. Sharp Kenneth Taylor

Water Commissioners

Donato F. Leone, Chairman	Term expires 1970
James Ferrucci	Term expires 1969
Carlton L. Goss	Term expires 1968

Park Commissioners

John L. Burns	Term expires 1970
Francis A. Irons	Term expires 1969
Robert A. Brownley	Term expires 1968

Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent
William E. Nuttall

Industrial Development Commission
*Norman F. Garrett, Chairman

Elmer C. Nelson	John E. Quirk
Jesse F. White	Robert C. Jackson

*resigned

Highway Surveyor
Harold Metcalf

Housing Authority

Joseph F. Bradley	Term expires 1971
Beatrice C. Wood	Term expires 1971
Robert C. Jackson	Term expires 1970
Frank E. Dudley	Term expires 1969
Charles F. Leonard	Term expires 1968

Planning Board

**Leo J. Lovely, Chairman	Term expires 1972
Donald A. Wheeler	Term expires 1971
*Benjamin F. Barnes	Term expires 1970
Norman I. Rogers	Term expires 1969
Gordon R. Good	Term expires 1968

**Resigned.

*Resigned. David Hamilton appointed to fill unexpired term.

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

*Chief of Police	Raymond W. Rogers
Town Counsel	Jacob Oppewal
Dog Officer	James Ferrucci
Wiring Inspector	Walter J. Channing
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	Linwood E. Lowell
Superintendent of Streets	Harold Metcalf
Custodian Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	Edward J. Lamothe
Inspector of Animals	Vernon A. Barrows
Inspector of Slaughtering	Francis Morrison
Town Accountant	Elizabeth A. Martini
Surveyor of Wood and Bark	Irvine Broom
Veterans' Agent	Louis Benotti
Director of Public Welfare	Helen F. Irons
Director of Civil Defense	Bradford G. Shapley
Gas Inspector	Vincent Powers
Board of Health Physician	Ronald Lukert, M.D.
Plumbing Inspector	Robert J. Rossetti
Asst. Plumbing Inspector	Vincent Powers

*Retired. Patrick E. Dunlavey appointed to fill vacancy.

Registrars of Voters

George A. Daige	Term expires 1970
Henry Twitchell	Term expires 1969
Ernest S. Thomas	Term expires 1968
Emily L. Coleman, Clerk	

Finance Committee

John Hogarth
William Ober
Emerson W. White
Daniel N. Barnes

Joseph Taylor, Chairman

Forest Committee

Charles F. Leonard	Term expires 1970
Gordon R. Good	Term expires 1969
Harold F. Lowell	Term expires 1968

Field Drivers

Alex Woleck
Edward Goss
Merton F. Barrows

Board of Appeals for Sub-divisions

*H. William Thatcher	Term expires 1970
Walter J. Butler, Jr.	Term expires 1969
Richard C. Varney	Term expires 1968
Francis H. Dunbar, Alternate	William M. Kimball, Alternate

*Resigned. Thomas P. Guerra appointed to fill unexpired term.

Conservation Committee

*James H. Grant, Chairman	Term expires 1970
Carl Adams	Term expires 1969
Philip W. Harding	Term expires 1968

*Resigned. H. Raymond Grant appointed to fill unexpired term.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

SELECTMEN – SALARIES

Appropriation		$973.75
Expended:		
Kenneth Taylor	$365.00	
E. Theodore Giatas	290.00	
Arthur Wiersma	318.75	
Total Expended		$973.75

SELECTMEN – EXPENSE

Appropriation		$440.00
Expended:		
State and County Dues	$ 60.00	
Box Rent	4.40	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	23.24	
Printing and Postage	60.00	
Milford Daily News	33.11	
Association Meetings	36.42	
Engineering Services	141.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	51.00	
Total Expended	$409.17	
Unexpended	30.83	
		$440.00

TREASURER – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$675.00
Expended:		
Hubbard Sweet Ins. Agency, Inc.	$174.00	
Postage and Stationery	203.57	
Certification of Notes	20.00	
State Assoc. Dues	4.00	
Office Supplies	40.18	
Equipment Repairs	33.25	
New Equipment	135.00	
Servicing Agreement	27.00	
Other	38.00	
Total Expended		$675.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		20.00
Total		95.00
Expended:		
Printing	$ 45.40	
Hobbs and Warren, Inc.	19.42	
Postage	10.00	
Preparing Schedule A	15.00	
Total Expended	89.82	
Unexpended	5.18	
		$ 95.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$100.00
Expended:		
State Association Dues	$ 15.00	
Printing and Postage	15.75	
Association Meeting	22.00	
Total Expended	$ 52.75	
Unexpended	47.25	
		$100.00

TAX COLLECTOR – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$725.00
Expended:		
Office Supplies	$ 21.15	
Registration of Deeds	4.00	
State Association Dues	4.00	
Postage	223.64	
Surety Bonds	255.65	
Printing	113.95	
P.O. Box Rent	3.60	
Milford Daily News	12.75	
Equipment	77.95	
Total Expended	$716.69	
Unexpended	8.31	
		$725.00

ASSESSORS – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$750.00
Expended:		
Hobbs and Warren, Inc.	$ 37.02	
Postage	35.00	
Deed Abstracts	175.65	
State and County Dues	24.00	
Use of Car	35.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	28.76	
Total Expended	$335.43	
Unexpended	414.57	
		$750.00

TOWN COUNSEL – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		648.83
Total		$1,248.83
Expended:		
Jacob Oppewal	$1,070.00	
Michael P. Visconti	75.00	
Appellate Tax Board	103.83	
Total Expended		$1,248.83

TOWN CLERK – EXPENSES

Appropriation		$725.00
Expended:		
Karl Bright, Ins.	$ 25.00	
Dues	12.00	
Town Clerk's Meetings	205.32	
Toll Calls	29.43	
Recording Fees	79.00	
Postage	32.25	
Swearing in Town Officers	30.50	
Printing	24.50	
Equipment – Repairs	46.60	
Miscellaneous Supplies	46.62	
Total Expended	$531.22	
Unexpended	193.78	
		$725.00

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Expended:		
Town Election	$167.70	
Street Listing	381.00	
Postage	5.20	
Clarke Printing Co.	58.00	
Registrars Salaries	180.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	12.77	
Total Expended	813.67	
Unexpended	186.33	
		$1,000.00

RECORD ROOM MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		$4,600.00
Expended:		
Cahill's News Agency	$ 44.21	
Hobbs and Warren, Inc.	19.61	
New England Telephone	181.31	
Massachusetts Electric Co.	46.75	
Suburban Propane Gas Corp.	333.31	
Salaries & Wages	2,955.40	
Janitor Services	137.50	
Equipment	424.34	
Repairs	78.80	
Miscellaneous Expenses	66.50	
Total Expended	4,287.73	
Unexpended	312.27	
		$4,600.00

TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE

Appropriated		$1,505.00
Expended:		
Janitor Service	$580.00	
Janitor's Supplies	110.52	
Suburban Propane Gas Corp.	21.28	
Inspection	10.00	
Repairs	265.25	
Total Expended	987.05	
Unexpended	517.95	
		$1,505.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		$3,900.00
Expended:		
Linwood E. Lowell, Chief	$ 337.50	
Test Blowing	50.00	
Payrolls	798.80	
Equipment	942.90	
N.E. Telephone	466.75	
Mass. Electric	30.00	
W.H. Gibbons	178.50	
Association Dues and Meetings	128.00	
Gulf Oil Corp.	105.03	
Repairs and Supplies	687.85	
Total Expended	3,725.33	
Unexpended	174.67	
		$3,900.00

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		$1,325.00
Expended:		
Linwood E. Lowell, Warden	$ 47.50	
Payrolls	509.66	
Repairs to Equipment	199.29	
Supplies and Equipment	175.00	
Association Dues and Meetings	50.00	
Total Expended	981.45	
Unexpended	343.55	
		$1,325.00

DOG OFFICER

Appropriation		$682.50
Transfer from Reserve Fund		188.55
Total		$871.05
Expended:		
James Ferrucci, Salary	$ 57.50	
Board and Destroying 49 Dogs	785.00	
Postage	28.55	
Total Expended		$871.05

HEAT AND LIGHTS – TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation		$3,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		300.00
Total		$3,300.00
Expended:		
Massachusetts Electric Co.	$ 350.40	
Nydam Oil Service	1,858.90	
Milford Daily News	4.50	
Repairs	942.20	
Total Expended	3,156.00	
Unexpended	144.00	
		$3,300.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		$20,300.00
Transfer to School Dept.		4,000.00
Total		16,300.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	$11,544.33	
Mobile Oil Co.	692.74	
Allied Motors	14.82	
New England Telephone	352.30	
Association Dues	25.00	
D. Lowell, Insurance	369.31	
Repairs	379.75	
Pictures	18.50	
Mendon Police Association	273.76	
Law Books	493.50	
Uniform	100.90	
Richard Pomfret	172.50	
National Safety Program	45.00	
Badges	89.61	
Police Chief Examination	75.00	
Association Meeting	27.28	
P.O. Box Rental	1.86	
Postage	10.00	
Forbes Press	160.20	
Public Safety	15.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	102.26	
Total Expended	$14,963.62	
Unexpended	1,336.38	
		$16,300.00

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		$2,800.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		275.00
Total		3,075.00
Expended:		
Labor	$1,234.25	
Dues	2.00	
Equipment:		
Town Truck	399.00	
Town Tractor	282.00	
Douglas Tanner Equipment	648.00	
Homalite Saw	198.50	
Blade	20.00	
Lakeside Garage	14.00	
Total Expended	$2,797.75	
Unexpended	277.25	
		$3,075.00

INSECT PEST CONTROL

Appropriation		$700.00
Expended:		
William Nuttall, Wages and Car	$ 25.00	
Poison Ivy Spraying	150.00	
J.W. Virchow Spraying	520.00	
Milford Daily News	4.50	
Total Expended	$699.50	
Unexpended	.50	
		$700.00

DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL

Appropriation		$1,100.00
Expended:		
William Nuttall, Wages and Car	$ 25.00	
J.W. Virchow Spraying	1,075.00	
		$1,100.00

MOSQUITO SPRAYING

Appropriation		$800.00
Expended:		
J.W. Virchow Spraying	$800.00	
Total Expended		$800.00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Appropriation		$350.00
Expended:		
Bradford Shapley Salary	$100.00	
Supplies	8.80	
Repairs	11.62	
Total Expended	120.42	
Unexpended	229.58	
		$350.00

AUXILIARY POLICE

Appropriation		$475.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		100.00
Total		575.00
Expended:		
Uniforms	$443.94	
Badges	58.85	
Emblems	68.75	
Total Expended	$571.54	
Unexpended	3.46	
		$575.00

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation		$6,325.00
Transfer to Public Assistance		2,500.00
Total		3,825.00
Expended:		
District Nursing Association	$ 400.00	
Dr. Lukert, Vaccine Program	75.00	
Salaries	150.00	
Premature Infant Care	537.07	
Rent of Town Dump	1,800.00	
Association Meeting & Dues	23.60	
Postage and Stationery	26.50	
Hobbs and Warren, Inc.	49.18	
State Beverage License	10.00	
N.F. Baci, Deputy Sheriff	5.75	
Schofield Brothers	225.00	
Upton Fuel & Construction Co.	61.50	
Total Expended	$3,363.60	
Unexpended	461.40	
		$3,825.00

PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation		$200.00
Expended:		
Menotony Printing Co.	$ 50.04	
REA Craft Press, Inc.	112.00	
Cahill's News Agency, Inc.	5.55	
Postage	5.00	
Total Expended	$172.59	
Unexpended	27.41	
		$200.00

GENERAL REPAIRS

Appropriation		$6,850.00
Expended:		
Labor	$3,868.70	
Hired Equipment	203.50	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	111.75	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	69.10	
Bayer & Mingolla	227.66	
Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel	128.41	
Hopedale Hardware	97.29	
Cahill's News Agency	18.48	
Independent Bituminous Co.	342.34	
Worcester County Highway Assoc.	2.00	
Postage	20.00	
Attending Meetings	76.55	
Rudolph Gadoury	19.30	
Curtiss Coal Co.	3.64	
Municipal Supply	21.75	
Forbes Press	14.00	
Commonwealth of Mass.	40.00	
Mendon Cash Market	9.12	
Hobbs & Warren	11.67	
Daniels Insurance Co.	152.43	
Total Expended	$5,437.69	
Unexpended	1,412.31	
		$6,850.00

ROAD MACHINERY FUND

Balance January 1, 1967	$12,497.24
Transferred to Tractor Account	6,000.00
Transferred to Road Machinery Account	4,000.00
	$ 2,497.24

Paid to Town Treasurer		
For Use of Equipment:		
Snow Removal	$4,601.11	
Regional School	498.88	
Chapter 81	1,395.00	
Chapter 90 C-1965 Funds	578.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	408.00	
Miscellaneous Rentals	102.00	
Tree Warden	681.00	
	$8,263.99	
Unexpended 1967 Account	386.99	
Unexpended Tractor Account	2,082.00	
		$13,230.22

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		$16,000.00
Transfer at Special Town Meeting		1,000.00
Emergency Transfer		1,000.00
		$18,000.00
Expended:		
Labor	$ 4,449.45	
Town Equipment	4,601.11	
Hired Equipment	2,932.25	
H.A. Daniels Insurance Co.	157.27	
Chemical Corp.	2,838.06	
International Salt Co.	1,626.43	
George F. Blake Co.	239.66	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co.	1,097.34	
Curtiss Coal Co.	7.88	
Total Expended	$17,949.45	
Unexpended	50.55	
		$18,000.00

CHAPTER 81

Appropriation		$ 3,700.00
State Allotment		10,175.00
Total		13,875.00
Expended:		
Labor	$6,060.30	
Town Equipment	1,395.00	
		$ 7,455.30

Hired Equipment:		
H.A. Thayer, C.B. Cleaner	$202.50	
V. Barrows, Mower	138.00	
C. Goss, Compressor	53.90	
R. Weiker, Grader & Roller	924.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Sanders & Trucks	482.50	
A. Tetreault, Drott Dozer	48.00	$ 1,848.90
Materials:		
B.&.M. Crushed Stone Co.	$ 360.25	
Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co.	973.86	
Varney Brothers	16.30	
Gover Brothers	50.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	201.90	
Independent Bituminous Co.	2,610.83	
H.A. Daniels Insurance Co.	238.78	
Medway Block Co.	118.80	$ 4,570.72
Total Expended	$13,874.92	
Unexpended	.08	$13,875.00

CHAPTER 90 – MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	$1,700.00	
State Allotment	1,700.00	
County Allotment	1,700.00	$5,100.00
Expended:		
Labor	$1,817.20	
Town Equipment	408.00	$2,225.20
Hired Equipment:		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	$ 220.25	
V. Barrows	72.00	
R. Weiker	184.00	$ 476.25
Materials:		
Independent Bituminous Co.	$1,494.89	
B. & M. Crushed Stone Co.	229.44	
Rosenfeld Sand & Stone Co.	573.26	
H.A. Daniels Insurance Co.	71.60	
Hopedale Hardware Co.	28.88	$2,398.07
Total Expended		$5,099.52
Unexpended		.48
		$5,100.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION
1965 FUNDS

Appropriation	$3,500.00	
State Allotment	7,000.00	
County Allotment	3,500.00	$14,000.00
Expended in 1965	$4,537.43	
Expended in 1966	186.40	
Total Expended		$ 4,723.83
Unexpended Balance Dec. 31, 1966		9,276.17
		$14,000.00
Balance from 1966		$ 9,276.17
Expended in 1967		
Labor	$2,465.15	
Town Equipment	578.00	$ 3,043.15
Materials:		
R.A. Page Lumber Co.	$ 22.50	
Penn Culvert Company	2,053.82	
Daniels Insurance Co.	97.12	$ 2,173.44
Total Expended in 1967		$ 5,216.59
Expended in 1965 & 1966		4,723.83
Unexpended December 31, 1967		4,059.58
		$14,000.00

WEST HILL ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Received from State, Chapter 679	$2,734.76	
Unexpended 1966 Funds, Chapter 679	657.02	$3,391.78
Expended:		
Labor	$1,020.45	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Gravel	967.00	
Independent Bituminous Co., Oils	430.58	
Rosenfeld Sand & Gravel Co., Sand	78.98	
Comm. of Mass., Concrete Posts	80.00	
A. Tetreault, Dozer	192.00	
R. Weiker, Grader & Roller	476.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Backhoe	106.50	
H.A. Daniels Insurance Co.	40.21	
Total Expended	$3,391.72	
Unexpended	.06	
		$3,391.78

PARK STREET CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	$4,000.00	
Unexpended 1966 Funds	1,943.61	$5,943.61
Expended:		
Labor	$1,749.25	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Grader & Backhoe	207.00	
A. Tetreault, Dozer	864.00	
C. Goss, Compressor	263.80	
R. Weiker, Grader & Roller	210.00	
D. Tanner, Skylift Bucket	138.00	
Highland Const. Co., Roller	20.00	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Gravel	1,329.20	
Independent Bituminous Co., Oils	511.97	
Roland Temple, Dynamite & Caps	273.90	
Bayer & Mingola, Bit. Con. Patch	43.70	
H.A. Daniels Insurance	69.51	
Total Expended	$5,680.33	
Unexpended	263.28	
		$5,943.61

TRACTOR TRADE IN ACCOUNT

Transferred from Road Machinery Fund		$6,000.00
Expended:		
Milford Daily News	$ 21.00	
Cahill's News Agency	2.00	
Wrentham Equipment Co.	3,895.00	
Total Expended	$3,918.00	
Unexpended	2,082.00	
		$6,000.00

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Transferred from Road Machinery Fund	$4,000.00	
Received from Insurance Settlement	86.83	$4,086.83
Expended:		
Gulf Oil Corp.	$1,514.56	
Lakeside Garage	525.24	
Frabotta Motors	246.53	
Milford Auto Parts	166.79	
Donald Lowell	409.67	

Karl Bright	$ 227.23	
H.A. Daniels Ins. Co.	133.21	
Woonsocket Tire Sales	68.22	
International Harvester Co.	45.88	
Carl Anderson	36.00	
O'Grady's Service Station	75.25	
Tru-Bilt Body Co.	21.40	
Wrentham Equipment Co	20.08	
Ballard Spring Works	39.18	
Scott-Ahern	51.04	
Leon Gadoury	12.00	
Registry of Motor Vehicles	15.00	
Mikes Power Equipment	24.15	
William Auty	10.00	
Casey-Dupois Equip. Corp.	43.45	
Mendon Auto Salvage	5.00	
Files Equipment Co.	8.75	
Hopedale Hardware	1.21	
Total Expended	$3,699.84	
Unexpended	386.99	
		$4,086.83

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE – SALARIES

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Expended:		
E. Theodore Giatas	$ 25.00	
Arthur Wiersma	25.00	
Kenneth Taylor	25.00	
Total Expended		$ 75.00

ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Town Appropriation:		
Salaries	$3,000.00	
New Equipment	500.00	
Federal Grants:		
Balance January 1, 1967	1,921.06	
Receipts, 1967	3,742.42	
Total Available		$9,163.48

Expended:		
Salaries	$6,242.50	
Travel Expense	27.64	
Telephone	115.49	
Postage	106.04	
Supplies	98.61	
Equipment	527.23	
Total Expended	$7,117.51	
Unexpended	2,045.97	
		$9,163.48
Above expenditures pro-rated:		
Federal Share	$3,900.37	
State Share	1,785.57	
Local Share	1,431.57	
		$7,117.51

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE – ALL CATEGORIES

Town Appropriation	$46,000.00	
Transfer from Available Funds	5,000.00	
Federal Grants:		
Balance January 1, 1967	1,411.06	
Receipts 1967	43,976.81	
Refunds and Cancellations	2,453.82	
Total Available		$98,841.69
Expended:		
Temporary Aid:		
6 cases, eligible persons, 8	$ 1,301.41	
Aid to Families with Dependent Children:		
10 cases, eligible persons, 39	13,293.99	
Old Age Assistance:		
Eligible Persons, 22	21,249.95	
Disability Assistance:		
Eligible Persons, 4	2,098.85	
Medical Assistance (Medicaid):		
Persons Aided, 189	59,691.12	
Total Expended	$97,635.32	
Unexpended	1,206.37	
		$98,841.69

Above expenditures pro-rated:		
Federal Share	$49,217.56	
State Share	30,433.26	
Local Share	17,984.50	
		$97,635.32

VETERANS BENEFITS

Appropriation		$2,750.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		1,164.04
Total		3,914.04
Expended:		
Seven Cases	$3,852.95	
Unexpended	61.09	
		$3,914.04

ADMINISTRATION OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		$550.00
Expended:		
Louis Benotti, Salary	$437.50	
Dues	5.00	
Postage	5.00	
Conferences	79.90	
Miscellaneous Expense	.80	
Total Expended	$528.20	
Unexpended	21.80	
		$550.00

PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		$1,060.00
Expended:		
Labor and Equipment	$ 45.00	
Clayton Parkinson Greenhouse	24.40	
Lakeside Flower Shop	25.00	
Treeland Nursery	924.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	7.59	
Total Expended	$1,025.99	
Unexpended	34.01	
		$1,060.00

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation		$800.00
Expended:		
Distribution	$ 25.00	
Municipal Publications	650.00	
Total Expended	$675.00	
Unexpended	125.00	
		$800.00

TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation		$2,340.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund		14.99
Total		$2,354.99
Expended:		
Vestella Daniels	$375.00	
Lorna Rhodes	490.01	
Jane Coleman	146.90	
Carleton Cox	54.00	
Priscilla Denton	174.39	
Stanley Chapin	125.00	
Alfred Comolli	13.50	
Fern Wagner	33.96	
Niro and Dec	56.39	
Mendon Firefighters	16.00	
Massachusetts Electric Co.	81.22	
Barney Coal Co.	427.72	
P.O. Box and Postage	6.56	
Campbell and Hall	195.86	
Doubleday and Co.	21.00	
Nathaniel Dame and Co.	55.33	
Christian Science Monitor	3.93	
Bro Dart	25.15	
Gaylord Bros.	6.45	
Charlescraft Press	14.44	
Hopedale Hardware	4.48	
American Library Association	8.00	
Mass. Library Association	3.00	
Certification fee	3.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	10.50	
Miscellaneous Librarian Expense	3.20	
Total Expended		$2,354.99

Anna Ellis Fund	
Campbell and Hall	$ 14.00
Fletcher Fund	
Campbell and Hall	$228.47

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Appropriation		$300.00
Expended:		
Regional High School Band	$ 50.00	
Junior High School Band	50.00	
Elementary School Band	50.00	
Butler and Dearden	27.72	
Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	53.34	
Danny's Variety	4.89	
Lakeside Flower Shop	38.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	2.00	
Total Expended	275.95	
Unexpended	24.05	$300.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		$4,000.00
Transfers by Finance Committee to:		
Auxiliary Police	$ 100.00	
Administration of Group Ins.	75.00	
Town Accountant's Expense	20.00	
Water Department	575.00	
Tree Warden's Expense	275.00	
Town Counsel's Expense	648.83	
Interest on Temp. Loans	539.19	
Heat and Light Town Buildings	300.00	
Plumbing Inspector	50.00	
Dog Officer	188.55	
Veterans' Benefits	1,164.04	
Taft Public Library	14.99	
Total Transfers	3,950.60	
Balance	49.40	$4,000.00

OPERATION TOWN BEACH

Appropriation		$2,350.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	$1,600.00	
Repairs	382.87	
Dues	15.00	
Milford Daily News	12.00	
Worcester Gazette	11.20	
Varney Brothers Sand & Gravel	48.20	
Fuel	16.40	
Massachusetts Electric Co.	17.40	
Community Disposal	28.50	
Equipment	13.50	
Supplies	204.93	
Total Expended	$2,350.00	$2,350.00

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

December 31, 1967

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes:	
Current Year:	
Personal Property	$ 24,749.00
Real Estate	277,280.56
Farm Animal Excise	656.01
Previous Years:	
Personal Property	648.00
Real Estate	17,936.59
Farm Animal Excise	23.25
Water Liens	383.37
From the State:	
State Tax	46,606.02
Corporation (Business)	756.00
Income Tax	7,040.00
School Aid	47,597.75
Special School Education	1,651.50
Program Handicapped & Retarded	152.17
Licenses and Permits:	
Alcoholic Beverages	2,700.00
All Other	796.00
Grants and Gifts:	
From Federal Government:	
Old Age Assistance, Aid	10,650.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	997.93
Aid to Families with Dep. Children, Aid	6,844.00
Aid to Families with Dep. Children, Adm.	1,296.29
Disability Assistance, Aid	1,300.00
Disability Assistance, Adm.	501.30
Medical Assistance, Aid	24,932.81
Medical Assistance, Adm.	946.90
Highway Improvement Loan, Ch. 679	2,734.76

From the State:	
Old Age Meal Tax	$ 2,056.08
School Transportation	8,075.51
Vocational Education	866.73
Schools, Title I	5,120.00
Aid to Schools Projects	3,125.00
Aid to Libraries	517.00
From the County:	
Dutch Elm Control	130.55
Dog License Refund	588.00
Privileges:	
Motor Vehicle Excise:	
Current Year	50,016.82
Previous Years	9,541.73
Departmental:	
Pay Station Commission	85.98
Certification of Municipal Liens	57.00
Advertising Licenses	16.58
Town Hall Rent	245.50
Wiring Inspections	246.00
Sale of Town Maps	12.00
Dog Officer Reimbursement	377.86
Elementary School Rent	298.00
Highways:	
From the State:	
Chapter 81	11,156.28
From the Town:	
Truck and Machinery Rental	8,263.99
Charities:	
From the State:	
Public Welfare – General Relief	176.93
Aid to F/W Dependent Children	4,152.08
Disability Assistance	605.27
Medical Assistance	17,577.47
Old Age Assistance	7,231.40
Veterans' Services	792.67
From Individuals:	
Aid to F/W Dependent Children	2,453.82

Schools:	
Tuition from Other Towns	$ 1,578.75
School Lunch Program	17,408.34
Library Fines	12.53
Rent of Fire Tower	50.00
Water Services	2,364.44
Revenue Loan	150,000.00
Sale of School Property	10.00
Interest:	
Thayer Cemetery Fund	8.00
Deferred Taxes	763.98
Water Lien	3.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	214.93
Farm Animal Excise	1.38
On Deposit	49.06

Agency, Trust and Investment

300th Anniversary	3,003.00
Dog License Fees	882.50
Income Trust Funds	737.41
Federal Withholding Taxes	20,935.40
State Withholding Taxes	2,785.99
State W/H Tax Services	37.73
Worcester Co. Retirement Fund	2,361.30
Employees Group Insurance	1,837.06

Refunds

Board of Health Reimbursement	268.53
Cancelled Checks, Welfare	14.45
General Departments	32.44
Insurance Damages	287.03
Tax Collector's Bond	50.00
Blue Cross Insurance	177.24
Animal Requisition	48.00
Total Receipts	$818,888.95
Balance, January 1, 1967	86,255.59
	$905,144.54

EXPENDITURES

General Government

Moderator's Salary	$ 25.00
Selectmens' Salaries	973.75
Selectmens' Expense	409.17
Town Accountant's Salary	675.00
Town Accountant's Expense	89.82
State Audit of Accounts	2.07
Treasurer's Salary	1,425.00
Treasurer's Expense	675.00
Collector's Salary	1,175.00
Collector's Expense	716.69
Assessors' Salaries & Wages	1,116.35
Assessors' Expense	335.43
Finance Committee Expense	52.75
Town Clerk's Salary	450.00
Town Clerk's Expense	531.22
Town Counsel's Salary	50.00
Town Counsel's Expense	1,248.83
Elections & Registrations Salaries & Wages	655.70
Elections & Registrations Expense	157.97
Planning Board Expense	172.59
Record Room Salaries & Wages	3,092.90
Record Room Expense	770.49
Record Room Equipment	424.34
Town Hall Maintenance	988.99
Heat & Light Town Buildings	3,156.00
Industrial Development Committee Expense	100.00

Protection of Persons and Property

Constables' Salaries	55.00
Police Department Salaries & Wages	9,724.33
Police Department Expense	2,296.32
Police Dept. Supplemental Budget	2,953.97
Police Cruiser Trade-In	4.50
Fire Department Salaries & Wages	1,136.30
Fire Department Expense	1,646.13
Fire Department Equipment	942.90
Forest Fires Salaries & Wages	557.16
Forest Fires Expense	424.29
Insect Pest Control	699.50
Dutch Elm	1,100.00
Mosquito Spraying	800.00

Tree Warden Salaries & Wages	$1,234.25
Tree Warden Expense	1,563.50
Wiring Inspector	191.00
Gas Inspector's Salary	25.00
Dog Officer	871.05
Civilian Defense	120.42
Auxiliary Police	571.54

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	$3,363.60
Worcester County Hospital	1,188.89
Inspector of Animals	150.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	25.00
Inspector of Plumbing	225.00

Highways

General Repairs Salaries & Wages	$3,868.70
General Repairs Expense	1,568.99
Snow Removal Salaries & Wages	4,449.45
Snow Removal Expense	13,500.00
Park Street Construction	5,680.33
West Hill Road	3,391.72
Road Machinery Maintenance	3,699.84
Chapter 81	13,874.92
Chapter 90 – Maintenance	5,099.52
Chapter 90 – Construction 1965	5,216.59
Tractor Trade-In	3,918.00
Street Lighting	1,283.44

Charities

Administration Public Assistance	$ 3,500.00
Public Assistance Town	53,181.01
Public Welfare Salaries	75.00
O.A.A. Federal Grant Asst.	10,553.80
O.A.A. Federal Grant Adm.	855.94
A.F.D.C. Federal Grant Asst.	7,642.64
A.F.D.C. Federal Grant Adm.	1,544.95
D.A. Federal Grant Asst.	1,312.90
D.A. Federal Grant Adm.	268.10
M.A. Federal Grant Asst.	24,944.97
M.A. Federal Grant Adm.	948.52
Veterans' Benefits Adm.	528.20
Veterans' Benefits Asst.	3,862.95

Schools and Libraries

Elementary School	$143,130.25
Vocational Education	3,614.64
School Lunch Program	18,359.36
Regional School General Control	137,842.40
Blackstone Valley Vocational Gen. Control	4,960.14
Taft Public Library	2,354.99
Cooperative Research Title I	5,090.99

Recreation

Park Department	$1,025.99
State Recreation Areas	2,432.87
Town Beach Salaries & Wages	1,600.00
Town Beach Maintenance	750.00
Regional Summer Recreational Program	304.38

Pensions

Annuity Fund	$ 500.00

Unclassified

State Assessment System	$ 92.40
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	237.15
Town Report	675.00
Memorial Day Observance	275.95
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	50.00
Insurance Town Buildings	2,420.00
Worcester County Retirement Fund	4,670.44

Public Service Enterprise

Water Department Maintenance	$1,695.00

Interest

Temporary Loans	$2,539.19
Water Construction Note	56.25
Town Beach Note	528.00
Elementary School Addition Note	1,440.00

Municipal Indebtedness

Water Construction Loan	$ 1,000.00
Regional School, Capital Costs	22,460.91
Revenue Note	150,000.00
Elem. School Addition Note	6,000.00
Town Beach Loan	2,000.00
Blackstone Valley Voc. Sch. Capital Costs	1,410.11

Agency, Trust and Investment

300th Anniversary Fund	$ 500.00
County Tax	15,706.28
Dog License for County	889.00
Welfare Funds	508.94
Fletcher Library Funds	228.47
Federal Withholding Tax	20,935.40
State Withholding Tax	2,785.99
County Retirement Fund	2,361.30
Group Insurance, Town Employees	3,657.28
Administration of Group Insurance	100.00

Refunds

1966 Real Estate Taxes	$1,270.33	
1967 Real Estate Taxes	1,433.92	
1966 Motor Vehicle Excise	762.93	
1967 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,935.86	
Water Bill Overpayment	10.61	
Total Expenditures		$798,712.91
Balance December 31, 1967		106,431.63
		$905,144.54

ELIZABETH A. MARTINI
Town Accountant

TOWN OF MENDON

Balance Sheet – December 31, 1967

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash		$106,431.63
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1966:		
Real Estate	$ 1,727.68	
Levy of 1967		
Personal Property	416.33	
Real Estate	26,007.44	28,151.45
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1967		1,750.59
Farm Excise:		
Levy of 1967		59.00
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	713.72	
Tax Possessions	53.87	767.59

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Agency:		
Dog Licenses – For County		$ 3.50
Tailings – Unclaimed Checks		63.32
Thayer Cemetery Fund Income		84.55
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administrative	$518.16	
Assistance	454.86	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	293.91	
Assistance	449.53	
Medical Assistance:		
Administration	594.76	
Assistance	2.63	2,979.53

Departmental:		
Town Hall	60.75	
General Relief	57.90	
Aid to Dependent Children	291.15	
Old Age Assistance	643.23	
Medical Assistance	1,608.15	
Veterans' Services	1,020.56	3,681.74
Water:		
Rates		256.04
Aid to Highways:		
State:		
Chapter 90 Const. 1965	7,000.00	
Chapter 90 Const. 1966	7,000.00	
Chapter 90 Const. 1967	7,000.00	
Chapter 90 Maint. 1967	1,700.00	
Chapter 81	1,046.35	
County:		
Chapter 90 Const. 1965	3,500.00	
Chapter 90 Const. 1966	3,500.00	
Chapter 90 Const. 1967	3,500.00	
Chapter 90 Maint. 1967	1,700.00	35,946.35

School:		
National Defense Education	65.99	
Co-operative Research	29.01	
School Lunch, Ch. 538	6,991.61	7,094.61
Public Libraries, Ch. 78, 19A		1,034.00
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General		42,494.72
Overestimates 1967:		
County Tax		1,002.83
Sale of Real Estate Fund		700.00
Receipts Reserved for Appropriations:		
Road Machinery	$13,230.22	
State Aid to Libraries	517.00	13,747.22
Reserve Fund		
Overlay Surplus		1,062.88
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1966		1,146.42

Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Underestimates 1967:		
State Recreation Areas	399.95	
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1967	578.13	978.08
Overdrawn Appropriations:		
School Lunch		2,537.08
		$180,559.55

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,750.59	
Farm Animal Excise	59.00	
Tax Titles and Possessions	767.59	
Departmental	3,681.74	
Water	245.43	
Aid to Highways	35,946.35	
		$ 42,450.70
Surplus Revenue		66,695.27
		$180,559.55

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:		
Inside Debt Limit:		
General		$14,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:		
General	$42,000.00	
Public Service Enterprise	2,000.00	
		44,000.00
		$58,000.00

Serial Loans:		
Inside Debt Limit:		
General:		$ 14,000.00
Outside Debt Limit:		
General:		
School Building Addition	$42,000.00	
Public Service Enterprise:		
Water	2,000.00	
		$ 44,000.00
		$ 58,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:		
Cash and Securities:		Welfare Funds:		
In Custody of Town Treasurer	$66,906.85	Marcena & H.E.P. Daniels	$3,734.12	
		Nathan R. George	1,397.38	
		Austin Wood	1,622.27	
				$ 6,753.77
		Library Funds:		
		Anna Ellis	926.12	
		Austin B. Fletcher	5,832.94	
				6,759.06
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund		567.89
		Investment Fund:		
		Stabilization		52,826.13
	$66,906.85			$66,906.85

Elizabeth A. Martini

Town Accountant

ASSESSORS' REPORT

The Assessors' Recapitulation Sheet and Table of Aggregates is given below:

Recapitulation 1967

Town Appropriations:		
To be raised by Taxation	$506,604.70	
To be taken from Available Funds	37,704.62	
Other Amounts to be Raised	3,604.32	
State:		
Tax and Assessments	2,669.14	
County:		
Tax and Assessments	18,018.34	
Overlay for 1967	16,810.13	
Gross Amount to be Raised		$585,411.25
Estimated Receipts	$203,187.98	
Available Funds	37,704.62	
Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds		$240,892.60
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on Property		$344,518.65
Personal Property Taxes	$ 25,165.33	
Real Estate Taxes	319,353.32	
Total Taxes Levied on Property		$344,518.65
Water Liens added to Taxes		383.37
Total amount committed to Collector		$344,902.02

Aggregates 1967

Assessments on Real Estate	856		
Assessments on Personal Estate	69		
Value of Assessed Personal Estate:			
Stock in Trade		$ 41,845.00	
Machinery		108,665.00	
Livestock		11,405.00	
Other Tangible Personal Property		649,870.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate			$811,785.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:			
Land exclusive of Buildings		$ 1,927,010	
Buildings exclusive of Land		8,374,710	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate			$10,301,720.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate			$11,113,505.00

Tax on Personal Estate	$ 25,165.33	
Tax on Real Estate	319,353.32	
Total Tax Levied		$344,518.65
Rate of Tax per $1,000.00		$ 31.00

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	General	Farm Animals $5 Excise
Horses	22	7
Cows	37	479
Bulls, Yearlings, etc.	11	5
Swine	1	107
Sheep	20	–
Fowl	150	440
All Other	10	–
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	10,761	
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	730	

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Committed to Collector:		
Vehicles Registered in 1966	$ 7,278.31	
Vehicles Registered in 1967	53,737.78	
Total Commitments		$61,016.09
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes Abated:		
1966 Taxes	$1,375.41	
1967 Taxes	3,979.57	
Total Abatements		$5,354.98

Farm Animal, Farm Machinery and Equipment Excise

Total value of Farm Animals & Equipment	$143,000.00
Total Commitment (Rate of Tax per $1,000 - $5.00)	715.01

Overlay Account

1966 Overlay	$ 2,240.38
1966 Abatements on Property	1,093.96
1967 Overlay	16,810.13
1967 Abatements on Property	17,388.26

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas D. Hackenson
Walter J. Channing
Charles H. Wood
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1967

1965 Personal Property Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/67	$ 86.88	
Interest	4.65	
	91.53	
Paid to Treasurer		$ 86.88
Interest		4.65
		91.53

1965 Real Estate Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/67	$1,120.85	
Interest	50.23	
	1,171.08	
Paid to Treasurer		$1,112.45
Interest		50.23
Tax Title Account		8.40
		$1,171.08

1965 Recommitted Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Committed	$ 16.50	
Interest	3.57	
	20.07	
Paid to Treasurer		$ 16.50
Interest		3.57
		$ 20.07

1966 Farm Animal & Machinery Excise Tax

Uncollected 1/1/67	$ 23.25	
Interest	1.38	
	$ 24.63	
Paid to Treasurer		$ 23.25
Interest		1.38
		$ 24.63

1966 Personal Property Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/67	$561.12	
Interest	15.38	
	$576.50	
Paid to Treasurer		$561.12
Interest		15.38
		$576.50

1966 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/67	$ 2,859.40	
Additional Committments	7,278.31	
Interest	75.14	
Refunds	762.93	
	$10,975.78	
Paid to Treasurer		$ 9,525.23
Abatements		1,375.41
Interest		75.14
		$10,975.78

1966 Real Estate Taxes

Uncollected 1/1/67	$18,391.06	
Interest	527.53	
Refunds	1,270.33	
	$20,188.92	
Paid to Treasurer		$16,824.14
Interest		533.34
Uncollected		1,727.68
Tax Title Account		9.80
Abatements		1,093.96
		$20,188.92

1967 Personal Property Taxes

Committed Taxes	$25,165.33	
Interest	1.58	
	$25,166.91	
Paid to Treasurer		$24,749.00
Interest		1.58
Uncollected		416.33
		$25,166.91

1967 Farm Animal & Machinery Excise Taxes

Committed Taxes	$715.01	
Paid to Treasurer		$656.01
Uncollected		59.00
		$715.01

1967 Water Liens

Committed	$383.37	
Paid to Treasurer		$383.37

1967 Real Estate Taxes

Committed Taxes	$319,353.32	
Interest	119.34	
Refunds	1,433.92	
	$320,906.58	
Paid to Treasurer		$277,280.56
Interest		119.34
Abatements		17,388.26
Tax Title Accounts		110.98
Uncollected		26,007.44
		$320,906.58

1967 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Committed Taxes	$53,737.78	
Interest	175.28	
Refunds	1,935.86	
Overpayments	12.37	
	$55,861.29	
Paid to Treasurer		$50,016.82
Interest		175.68
Abatements		3,906.23
Clerical Adjustment		1.00
Uncollected		1,761.56
		$55,861.29

1967 Special Accounts

Certificate of Municipal Liens (20)	$ 60.00	
Refund on 1965 Collector's Bond	50.00	
	$110.00	
Paid to Treasurer		$110.00

Respectfully submitted,

Philip W. Harding

Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of Mendon:

The following report delineates briefly some of the highlights of the Board's activities during the year 1967.

1. The Board and our Town Counsel were involved in a law suit regarding the right of way at the Town Beach with Mr. Kelley, a property owner in that area. Through the diligent efforts of our Town Counsel we succeeded in having this suit dismissed in behalf of the Town.

2. The Board in conjunction with the Upton Board of Selectmen engaged the services of Schofield Brothers Engineering Company to make exploratory soil tests at the Regional School ground seeking a solution to the sewerage problem. The tests taken revealed that there exists a possibility of placing a new leeching field on the school grounds. In order to confirm these findings it will necessitate the clearing of land and further soil tests at an additional cost of $2,500.00. Should these tests prove successful a leeching area complete with tank could be installed at an approximate cost of $60,000. The results of these tests and all data concerning this matter has been turned over to the School Committee. It is expected that further discussions relative to this subject will be held during 1968. These tests were carried out with the prior knowledge and cooperation of Mr. Gilbert Joly and Mr. William Marhaffer of the Central Health District Office.

3. Several meetings were held with the State road engineer and the residents of Millville Street concerning the reconstruction of a portion of this road. In order that this work could proceed easements were required to be signed by the residents of that area. We are pleased to announce that the Board received the complete and full cooperation from all residents concerned. The work is planned to start early in 1968 and be completed by the time Fall arrives.

4. The Board also applied for road reconstruction work to be done on Hartford Avenue East and Bates Street under Chapter 90 and Chapter 616 respectively.

5. One of the major efforts of the Board concerned the selection and appointment of a full time Police Chief. This required the interviewing of several applicants, engaging the services of the Bloomberg School of Police to hold a written examination, and the services of the Massachusetts State Police in holding oral examinations. Out of a field of nine (9) applicants who took these examinations the Board selected the applicant who scored highest and also

had the best background qualifications. At present the Board is in the process of selecting a full time Police Officer and thus completing the plan as presented to the Townspeople at the last Annual Meeting.

The Board wishes to acknowledge the faithful and tireless efforts of Raymond Rogers as our Chief of Police for the past several years and to extend our gratitude to him in behalf of our citizens for a service well done.

6. The Board continued its efforts with the Town Building Committee toward generating plans and estimated costs for a new building. These plans and building costs will be presented to the Townspeople at the Annual Meeting. Our sincere gratitude is extended to the Building Committee for its efforts.

7. The Board met with Mr. Weatherbee of the Department of Public Works to discuss our traffic problems and in particular the hazardous situation at Route 16 and North Avenue. This intersection must be completely revamped in order to make it safe for motorists and pedestrians. The work will start as soon as the proper sloping rights are obtained and the weather permits. In order to make all traffic signs and restrictions legal throughout the Town we must accept a traffic code law. This will be presented to the Townspeople in the near future for their action.

8. Past efforts to meet with the major departments in order that a more cooperative and effective approach could be taken on Town matters have not yielded any productive results. It is hoped that future efforts will be more fruitful.

9. The Board has noted that large industrial companies have shown considerable interest in obtaining land in our Town but have refrained due to the lack of proper facilities. If we are to take advantage of the industrial opportunities which Route 495 will offer we must take the necessary steps to provide these facilities. We solicit the sincere and active interest of all our Townspeople in this vital matter.

10. With the advent of collective bargaining in our educational system we should expect a significant increase in our school budget each year. Mendon is one of sixty-nine towns that will be affected by the implementation of School Guidelines. In order to qualify for State Aid for a Kindergarten to Grade 12 system in this plan, a 2,000 pupil enrollment must be had between the two towns. This plan also calls for a single school committee in place of the four under the present system.

11. The Board was actively involved with the plans and preparations of the 300th Anniversary Celebration. It is indeed heart

warming to look back upon this occasion which succeeded only through the wholehearted efforts of all our people. In particular we are greatly indebted to diligent and tireless efforts of our committee and its members for enabling this celebration to take place at no cost to the Town. Our birthday has been graciously augmented by this occasion which will long be remembered by us all.

12. In October a testimonial was held honoring Mr. Henry P. Clough for his 39 years of service to this Town as a Schoolteacher, Principal, Town Moderator, General Chairman of our 300th Anniversary and many other civic duties. In recognition of all this the Board issued a proclamation at this testimonial declaring the week of October 13 through October 20 as Henry P. Clough week. The testimonial which was conducted by interested citizens was extremely well attended and most pleasant.

13. Under a bill filed by F. Leo Kenney, our Representative from Uxbridge, a weed clearing program was undertaken at Lake Nipmuc. This will be continued each year and a bill will be filed each year until it is completed.

14. Of interest to our taxpayers is the recently passed bill which restored the 15% additional reimbursement to schools which are in a Regional School District. This had been revoked when the sales tax went into effect. Its reinstatement was solely the result of active participation by Boards and School Committees throughout the State.

15. The Board hopes that the fine community spirit shown during the Town's 300th Anniversary will continue. It is mainly because of this spirit that we look to the future of this Town with courage and confidence.

Kenneth Taylor
E. Theodore Giatas
Arthur Wiersma
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

JURY LIST

Atkinson, George W.J.	Kinsley Lane	Foreman
Austin, John W.	Uxbridge Street	Clerk
Barrows, Elden H.	Bates Street	Expediter
Barrows, Roberta H. (Mrs.)	Bates Street	Clerk-Typist
Broome, Irvine	Washington St.	Foreman
Childs, Richard L.	Myrtle St.	Technical designer
Coleman, E. Jane (Miss)	Providence St.	At home
Congdon, Robert P.	Washington St.	Inspector
DiCrescentis, Dominic V.	Bates St.	Rigger
Ferrucci, James S.	Bellingham St.	Farmer
Grant, Isabelle B. (Mrs.)	Millville St.	At home
Hoberg, Carl F.	Providence St.	Retired
Foreman Draper Corp., Hopedale, Mass.		
Johnson, Arthur F.	Hartford Ave. East	Engineer
Kearsley, Donald W.	Hartford Ave. West	Toolmaker
Lundvall, John L.	Hartford Ave. East	Accountant
Magee, Gertrude S.	Millville St.	At home
Mentoni, Dorothy S. (Mrs.)	Maple St.	Clerk
Mathewson, Marjorie A. (Mrs.)	Hartford Ave. West	At home
Mattson, Richard M.	Northbridge St.	Telephone worker
Paradiso, Edward J.	Uxbridge Road	Barber
Shattuck, Marjorie H. (Mrs.)	Elm Street	At home
Twitchell, Henry B.	Maple St.	Retired
Crib attendant, Draper Corp., Hopedale, Mass. – Part time Counter man		
Yones, Alec J.	Pleasant Street	Machinist
York, Harry C.	Bates St.	Toolmaker

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Following is the Financial Report of the East Mendon Water System for the year 1967:

Appropriation for Maintenance		$1,120.00
Appropriation for Water Notes		1,000.00
Appropriation for Interest on Notes		56.25
Total		$2,751.25
Expended:		
Water Service	$1,499.47	
Repairs	140.40	
Postage & Forms	25.13	
Meter Reading	30.00	
Water Note	1,000.00	
Interest on Note	56.25	
Total Expended		$2,751.25

Water Collections

Uncollected January 1, 1967	$ 532.24	
Water Commitments	2,485.61	
		$3,017.85
Collections 1967	2,364.44	
Water Lien added to Taxes	383.37	
		2,747.81
Uncollected December 31, 1967		$ 270.04

Respectfully submitted,

Donato F. Leone
Carlton L. Goss
James Ferrucci
WATER COMMISSIONERS

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER
TOWN OF MENDON
January 1, 1967 – December 31, 1967

	Balance Jan 1, 1967	1967 Receipts	Sub Total	1967 Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1967
GENERAL FUND REPORT	$ 86,255.59	$818,888.95	$905,144.54	$798,712.91	$106,431.63
TRUST FUND REPORTS					
Stabilization Fund	$ 50,544.15	$ 2,281.98	$ 52,826.13		$ 52,826.13
Austin Wood Relief Fund	1,551.20	71.07	1,622.27		1,622.27
Anna Ellis Library Fund	899.53	40.59	940.12	$ 14.00	926.12
Austin Fletcher Library Fund	5,797.60	263.81	6,061.41	228.47	5,832.94
Nathan R. George Jr. Relief Fund	1,820.63	71.69	1,892.32	494.94	1,397.38
Rachel Ann Bates Lot Bicknell Cemetery	239.28	10.87	250.15		250.15
Annie E. Gaskill Lot Bicknell Cemetery	151.98	6.89	158.87		158.87
Joseph S. Cox, Joseph Bates and John S. Cox Lots Bicknell Cemetery	151.98	6.89	158.87		158.87
Marcena and Harriet E. Pierce Daniels Fund	3,571.62	162.50	3,734.12		3,734.12

Respectfully submitted,
ROLAND A. KINSLEY, Town Treasurer

REPORT OF 300th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

To the Selectmen of Mendon:

The following list includes the significant items which are submitted as the essential parts of the final report of the 300th Anniversary Committee:

I. Minutes of committee meetings
II. Chronology of preliminary events
III. Schedule of events of official celebration
IV. Anniversary motion picture film
V. Financial report

The great spirit, enthusiasm, and cooperation of the entire community, together with the friendly support of our neighbors in the surrounding towns, have all contributed to make a highly successful celebration. The chairmen, members, and other workers of the several sub-committees and of additional spontaneously organized groups did such an outstanding piece of work that the final results far exceeded all previous expectations. The development of great community spirit through the many group activities has been so widespread that the General Committee hopes that the momentum thus gained may be maintained through some appropriate community undertaking in the future.

In addition to the satisfaction which has come as a result of the united effort given to the anniversary, it is very gratifying to be able to call attention to the fact that the celebration proved to be self-supporting.

All remaining souvenirs and anniversary booklets have been given to the Mendon Historical Society for future sale or disposal.

The chairman and members of the General Committee wish to express their great appreciation and sincere thanks to all town officials, townspeople, neighbors and friends in area towns, and to former residents who have contributed in any way to make the Mendon 300th Anniversary a memorable event.

CHRONOLOGY OF PRELIMINARY EVENTS

February 15, 1965	First Public Meeting Called by Selectmen
June 17, 1965	Second Public Meeting Called by Selectmen Appointment of General Chairman
August 17, 1965	First Meeting of General Committee
November 10, 1966	First Meeting of Mendham Brush Association

January 1, 1967	Ceremony of Razor Burial
January 16, 1967	First Meeting of Daughters of Pioneers
February 10, 1967	Brothers of the Brush Dance
March 10, 1967	Brothers of the Brush Dance
April 8, 1967	Motorcade and Marathon Walk by Brothers of the Brush
April 15, 1967	Opening of Anniversary Store First Meeting of Sons of the Pioneers Brothers of the Brush Dinner Dance
April 20, 1967	Daughters of Pioneers Battle of Bands Sons of Pioneers Marathon Walk
April 23, 1967	Brothers of Brush Motorcade
April 27, 1967	Organization of Teen Age Pioneers
May 8, 1967	Tree Planting at Mendon Center School
May 13, 1967	Brothers of Brush Kangaroo Court
May 14, 1967	Anniversary Service at Mendon Unitarian Church
May 15, 1967	Dedication of Bronze Tablet in Memory of Soldiers of French and Indian Wars – Mendon Historical Society
May 26, 1967	Brothers of Brush Dance
June 10, 1967	Brothers of Brush Kangaroo Court
June 13, 1967	Signing of Mendon Week Proclamation by Governor John A. Volpe Tree Acceptance Ceremony at Mendon Center School
June 17, 1967	Brothers of Brush Family Picnic
June 19, 1967	Proclamation of Mendon Day by Milford Selectmen
June 20, 1967	Publication of Special Mendon Edition by Milford Daily News
June 21, 1967	Proclamation of Mendon Day by Upton Selectmen

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS OF 300th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

June 22, 23, 24, & 25, 1967

Thursday, June 22

8:00 P.M. HISTORICAL PAGEANT – Nipmuc Regional High School Auditorium

Friday, June 23

7:00 P.M. HISTORICAL PAGEANT – Nipmuc Regional High School Auditorium

7:30–11:30 P.M. YOUNG PEOPLE'S DANCE
Lakeview Park Ballroom

Saturday, June 24

9:00 A.M.–12:00 SPORTS PROGRAM
Mendon Center School Playground
(1) Field day events for boys and girls of Mendon
(2) Long distance road race open to residents of Mendon, Bellingham, Blackstone, Hopedale, Milford, Millville, Northbridge, Upton, Uxbridge

10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M. OPEN HOUSE at the following:
Baptist Church, Main Street
Chestnut Hill Meeting House, Millville Street (Millville)
St. Michael's Church, North Avenue
Unitarian Church, Maple Street
Arts & Crafts Exhibit, Mendon Center School, North Avenue
Mendon Historical Society Museum, Main Street
Taft Public Library, Main Street

1:00–5:00 P.M. HOUSE AND HISTORICAL SITES TOUR –
Headquarters at Mendon Town Hall
18 Homes and Points of Interest

2:00 P.M. FIREMEN'S MUSTER – Mendon Center School Playground
Participants: Ashburnham, Marblehead, Southborough, Upton

6:30 P.M. 300th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET
Lakeview Park Ballroom
Master of Ceremonies – Attorney Jacob Oppewal
Principal Speaker – Congressman Philip J. Philbin

Sunday, June 25

MORNING CHURCH SERVICES – Local churches

11:00 A.M. ECUMENICAL RELIGIOUS SERVICE
Nipmuc Regional High School

Speakers
Dr. Howard W. Ferrin, Chancellor Emeritus of Barrington College

Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan, Diocese of Worcester

2:00 P.M. 300th ANNIVERSARY PARADE
Lakeview Park to Mendon Center School
Parade Marshal – Major Bruce A. Thomas

8:00 P.M. BAND CONCERT – Lakeview Park
Milford Framingham Concert Band

10:00 P.M. FIREWORKS – Lakeview Park

TREASURER'S REPORT
TOWN OF MENDON – 300th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Recapitulation of Income and Expense Items

Income From Fund Raising Activities

	Receipts	Expenses	Net Income
Anniversary Booklet	$ 6,396.05	$ 3,611.80	$2,784.25
Banquet	5,236.00	4,780.15	455.85
Donations	654.00	0	654.00
House and Sites Tour	429.00	0	429.00
Pageant	604.00	53.45	550.55
Souvenirs–Coins	5,253.31	3,749.47	1,503.84
Souvenirs–All Other	2,097.67	1,451.53	646.14
Vendors–Permit Fees	180.00	0	180.00
Total Income	$20,850.00	$13,646.40	$7,203.63

Expense of All Other Activities

Advertising and Decorating	$ 740.94	
Arts and Craft Exhibit	47.93	
Band Concert	150.00	
Dance for Young People	48.20	
Ecumenical Service	50.00	
Firemens' Muster	382.60	
Fireworks	1,000.00	
Insurance	98.84	
Motion Picture Film	925.00	
Parade	2,880.52	
Sports Program	210.60	
Traffic and Safety	389.40	
Tree Planting	232.00	
General Committee Expense	47.60	
Total Expense		$7,203.63
NET COST TO TOWN OF MENDON		0

Recapitulation of Net Cost to Town of Mendon

Total Appropriations	$4,500.00	
Deduct 1967 Appropriation (Not Transferred)	(1,500.00)	
Net Appropriations		$3,000.00
Total Money Returned to Town December 29, 1967		$3,000.00
NET COST TO TOWN OF MENDON		0

Respectively submitted,
Roland A. Kinsley, Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
1967

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1967

196 Males
46 Females
105 Spayed Females
9 $10.00 Kennel Licenses
2 $25.00 Kennel Licenses
2 Transfers

Amount sent to the Town Treasurer as per monthly statements is $882.50.

DIVISION OF FISHERIES AND GAME

Licenses issued in 1967

83 Resident Fishing
52 Resident Hunting
60 Resident Sporting
17 Resident Citizen Minor Fishing
16 Resident Citizen Female Fishing
1 Resident Citizen Trapping
3 Non-resident Citizen Fishing
4 Duplicate licenses
16 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)
2 Archery Deer Stamps
1 Special Resident Fishing

Amount sent into the Division of Fisheries and Game as per monthly statements – $1,310.50.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1967

Date of Birth 1967		Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
January	10	Omer Lester Joseph Lefrancois, 3rd	Omer Joseph, Jr. and Stasia Frances Wojcik
	24	Christopher Joseph Pouliot	Roger Edward and Doris Claire Bartlett
	29	John Howell Nealley, 3rd	John Howell, Jr. and Linda Jeanne Larson
February	3	Sherry Mae Rogers	Stanley and Marilyn Goss
March	8	Richard Lee Gaston	Frederick Lee and Wanda Lee Virtue
	28	Debra Ann Burns	Robert Bernard and Carolyn Theresa Copeland
April	4	William Barry Gerard	William Lewis and Virginia Mae Ferraro
	16	Susan Lyn Norwood	Kenneth E. and Rosemarie Endres
	20	Theodore James Ledoux, Jr.	Theodore James and Marsha Irene Kearsley
May	16	James Lewis Wright	Maryann Fantini
	21	Theodore John Fior, 3rd	Theodore John, Jr. and Beverly Ann Larson
June	2	Sharon Kaye Goodnow	Warren J. and Lee Davidson
	6	Charles Blaine Hawkes	Francis Blaine and Alma Virginia Salve
	16	Diana Catherine Grant	Henry Charles and Barbara Carol Young
	24	Jennifer Ann Lovely	Leo J. and Susan Niehaus
	25	Timothy John Cutler	Donald John and Sharon Alberto
July	4	Katherine Ann Lefebvre	Edward and Anita Jean Walter
	5	Tracey Lee Chapin	Stanley Earl and Marion Louise Closson

Date of Birth		Name of Child	Parents with Maiden Name of Mother
July	10	Maria Rodrigues	John William and Kathleen Mary Curran
	17	James Anthony Bonati	Primo Francis and Marie Norma Marcello
	25	Billie Jo Winn	William Lyman and Barbara Anne Closson
	26	Dawn Marie Daige	George Albert, Jr. and Gladys Louise Care
August	10	Chrysa Lee Martini	Joseph P., Jr. and Mary Ellen Boucher
	25	Michele Christina Parkinson	Judson and Margaret Palmer
	26	Katherine Elsena Waite	James Welton, Sr. and Elizabeth Anne Brown
October	5	Keith Walter Yanski	Michael Stephen and Rosalie Marie Puntonio
November	2	Craig Allen Grant	Paul J. and Maybelle Ross
	14	Thomas Anthony Testa	Joseph Nicholas and Juna Dorina Inglesi
	16	Roseann Ford	Michael John and Rose Marie Demagian
	25	Kenneth Paul Lacasse	Ernest George, Jr. and Holly Henderson
	29	Jean Marie Kempton	Donald Andrew and Shirley Ann Wright
December	2	Darna Nelson	Duane LeRoy and Jacqueline Margaret Brown
	2	Inga Nelson	Duane LeRoy and Jacqueline Margaret Brown
	5	Marc Andrew Matott	Andrew George and Jean Sandra Roy
	16	Robert Wilfred Roy, Jr.	Robert Wilfred, Sr. and Patricia Ann Meade
	22	Faith Ann Souls	Ernest Walter and Susan Mary Grant

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1967

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage	Name	Residence
February	4	Mendon, Mass.	Enrico H. Ghelli	Milford, Mass.
			Patricia O'Grady	Mendon, Mass.
	11	Bellingham, Mass.	William B. Strzelewicz, Jr.	Webster, Mass.
			Elizabeth A. Ferson Gilmartin	Mendon, Mass.
April	8	Milford, Mass.	Robert David Callahan	Milford, Mass.
			Vivian Rosalie Ford	Mendon, Mass.
	8	Amherst, Mass.	Richard Joseph Ferrucci	Mendon, Mass.
			Elizabeth Ham	Amherst, Mass.
	15	Upton, Mass.	Donald John Cutter	Upton, Mass.
			Sharon Eilene Alberto	Mendon, Mass.
June	3	Blackstone, Mass.	John Newell Grady, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
			Diane Batcheller	Blackstone, Mass.
	3	Milford, Mass.	Ernest Paul Stockton	Bellingham, Mass.
			Madeline Marie Boyd	Mendon, Mass.
	18	Mendon, Mass.	Steven Vantine	Westwood, Mass.
			Cynthia Thayer Brown	Mendon, Mass.
	30	Milford, Mass.	Ned E. Farr	Hopedale, Mass.
			Isabelle Claflin Butler	Mendon, Mass.
July	15	Upton, Mass.	Salvatore C. Tinio	Mendon, Mass.
			Shirley A. Benoit	Upton, Mass.
	22	Bellingham, Mass.	Loren Everett Murch	Mendon, Mass.
			Josephine Marie Palazzola Mellen	Mendon, Mass.

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage	Name	Residence
August	12	Mendon, Mass.	Carl Wayne Malo	Milford, Mass.
			Deborah Lee Swanson	Mendon, Mass.
	12	Bellingham, Mass.	Thomas Wendell Hiltsley	Clarksville, N.Y.
			Deirdre Elizabeth Giatas	Mendon, Mass.
	19	Woonsocket, R.I.	Anthony Carl Rocks, Jr.	Mendon, Mass.
			Joyce Mowry Kayarian	Mendon, Mass.
	26	Mendon, Mass.	Irving Carroll Dudley	Mendon, Mass.
			Jean Marie Mespelli	Mendon, Mass.
September	1	Mendon, Mass.	John E. Gay	Shrewsbury, Mass.
			Ellen B. VanderSluis	Mendon, Mass.
	16	Mendon, Mass.	Richard E. White	Milford, Mass.
			Suzanne Irene Nadeau	Mendon, Mass.
	16	Milford, Mass.	Giorgio Sarrica	Franklin, Mass.
			Ellen J. Worster	Mendon, Mass.
	30	Worcester, Mass.	Richard Walter Crooker	Mendon, Mass.
			Donna Lois Weger	Upton, Mass.
October	1	Mendon, Mass.	Lee Randall Prescott	Stow, Mass.
			Beverly Ann Powers	Mendon, Mass.
	14	Mendon, Mass.	Robert Howard Erickson	Upton, Mass.
			Mary Ann Davenport	Mendon, Mass.
	14	Milford, Mass.	Errol Vincent Tougas	Mendon, Mass.
			Shirley Margaret Tieuli	Milford, Mass.
November	11	Milford, Mass.	John Roy Desmarais	Mendon, Mass.
			Florence Yvette Dalesio	Milford, Mass.

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage	Name	Residence
November	11	Mendon, Mass.	William Scott	Millis, Mass.
			Marilyn Ray Longmire	Mendon, Mass.
	25	Upton, Mass.	Robert Allen Larson	Mendon, Mass.
			Gail Diane Varney	Upton, Mass.
December	5	Norfolk, Mass.	Charles Timothy Yones	Mendon, Mass.
			Alice M. Espanet	Milford, Mass.
	7	Mendon, Mass.	Carl Arthur Bush	Tulsa, Oklahoma
			Francia Ann Barrows	Mendon, Mass.
	14	Bellingham, Mass.	Kenneth Wayne Phillips	Mendon, Mass.
			Margaret Mary McCleary	Bellingham, Mass.
	30	Mendon, Mass.	Lewis M. Tripaldi	Douglas, Mass.
			Jean Marie Fantini	Mendon, Mass.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1967

Date of Death 1967		Name	Age Y	M	D
January	8	Carl A. Halsing	65	7	16
	15	Albert G. Denzer	75	1	24
	24	Mae West Cove Eaton	74	10	26
	26	Bridget Babloski Kaczowka	80	4	–
February	17	Alfred Pearson	91	8	25
March	14	Bertha Grace Martin Rogers	58	7	5
	18	Kelsie Earl Townsend	67	6	7
April	27	Lena Megeney Scribner	90	0	10
	30	Inez Catherine Granger Wood	78	1	15
May	9	Dorothy Peckham Varney	60	9	23
	15	Ford Emory Hoisington	53	11	20
	20	Annie S. Carter Williams	62	5	29
June	5	Richard C. Simmons	49	9	11
	10	Daniel Kinsley Barnes	61	8	12
	17	Millie Charland LaTulip	85	4	29
	19	Merrill Ralph Bracci	62	7	8
September	3	Fred L. Wright	77	5	22
November	9	Samuel Lancelot Webster	75	7	21
	24	Annie Cecelia VanRiper Thompson	67	8	30
December	11	Carl R. Swanson	67	10	19
	15	Irene Doris Bonner Cornell	87	10	18
	30	William MacDonald	71	11	30

1967
TOWN WARRANT
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday the twenty-seventh day of March A.D. 1967 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in their ballots for the following Town officers:

One Moderator for one year
One Selectman for three years
One Treasurer for three years
One Tax Collector for three years
One Assessor for three years
One Town Clerk for one year
One Tree Warden for one year
One Highway Surveyor for one year
One member of the Regional School District Committee for three years
One member of the Elementary School Committee for three years
One Trustee for Taft Public Library for two years
One Park Commissioner for three years
One Water Commissioner for three years
One member of the Planning Board for five years
One Constable for three years
One Member of the Board of Health for three years
One Member of the Board of Health for two years
One Member of the Board of Health for one year

all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person.

Article 2 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the thirty-first day of March 1967 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1967 and January 1, 1968, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the Salaries and compensations of the Elected Officers of the Town.

ARTICLE 4. To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Available Funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, and to provide for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $2,000.00 for the celebration of the 300th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the Town in 1967.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 for the purpose of reconstruction work on Park Street.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreational Program.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2,734.76 from the proceeds of Chapter 679 of the Acts of 1965 for the reconstruction of West Hill Road.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2,100.00 for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser, with the present Police Cruiser to be taken in trade.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Committee on the Town Office Building.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a Town Office Building, and determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by appropriation from the Stabilization Fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of Chapter 44.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a full time Police Department, and appropriate a sum of $4,000.00 to supplement the present Police budget.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Proposed Building By-Laws recommended by the Planning Board on October 13, 1966.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $3,330.00 to be used by the Planning Board to retain the U.S. Soil Conservation Service for the conducting of an Operational Soils Survey of the Town.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,600.00 in order to provide a new heating unit for the Taft Public Library.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2 regarding location of District School or Schools of the Agreement between the Towns of Mendon and Upton for the Regional School District dated May 13, 1958, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,728.70 for the preparation of preliminary plans and estimates for the proposed new Junior High School.

Polls will close at 8:00 P.M.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this 27th day of February A.D. 1967.

Arthur Wiersma
Kenneth Taylor
E. Theodore Giatas
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:
Raymond W. Rogers

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, three hundred and fifty-two qualified voters cast their ballot at the Town Hall the twenty-seventh day of March 1967. The Meeting to act on Article One was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by the Town Clerk Emily L. Coleman. It was voted to waive the reading of the Warrant. The ballot box was opened for inspection. Previous to the polls being declared open at 9:05 A.M, Eileen Johnson was duly sworn to her office as teller, by the Town Clerk.

Election officers on duty for the day were as follows:

Warden	Anna Mae Wood
Tellers	Dorothy Lowell
and	Eileen Johnson
Clerks	Blanche Lamothe
	Elgar Bartlett
	Helen Taylor
	Stella Savicki from 7:30 on
Police Chief	Raymond Rogers
	E. John Magliocca at 5:30 for 1 hour.

List of ballots cast each hour:

9:05 A.M.	to	10:00 A.M.	17	
10:00	to	11:00	7	
11:00	to	12:00 Noon	8	
12:00 Noon	to	1:00 P.M.	13	
1:00 P.M.	to	2:00	15	
2:00	to	3:00	24	
3:00	to	4:00	37	
4:00	to	5:00	52	
5:00	to	6:00	39	
6:00	to	7:00	80	
7:00	to	8:00 P.M.	60	Total 352 Votes or 30% of voters

1240 Ballots received: 352 Votes cast: unused ballots 888

Mr. Norman Downing was appointed by the Selectmen to pass out 1967 Town Reports.

The results of the Election was announced at 9:50 P.M. by the Warden.

Town Clerk for 1 year

Emily L. Coleman	301
Blanks	51

Town Moderator for 1 year	
Henry P. Clough	316
Blanks	36
Selectman for 3 years	
Arthur Wiersma	301
Blanks	51
Assessor for three years	
Thomas D. Hackenson	301
Blanks	51
Tax Collector for three years	
Philip W. Harding	294
Blanks	58
Town Treasurer for three years	
Roland A. Kinsley	291
Blanks	61
Constable for 3 years	
Robert Klein	104
William D. Rondeau	123
Paul R. Tyler	125
Blanks	0
Highway Surveyor for 1 year	
Harold Metcalf	279
Blanks	73
Tree Warden for 1 year	
William E. Nuttall	280
Blanks	72
Board of Health for 1 year	
Edward J. Lamothe	287
Blanks	65
Board of Health for 2 years	
Ruthann M. Roy	274
Blanks	78
Board of Health for 3 years	
Melba J. Armour	261
Blanks	91
School Committee for 3 years	
Arthur F. Johnson	274
Blanks	78

Regional School Committee, 3 years	
L. Everett Murch	274
Blanks	78
Trustee Taft Public Library for 2 years	
Henry P. Clough	304
Blanks	48
Planning Board for 5 years	
Leo J. Lovely	264
Blanks	88
Water Commissioner for 3 years	
Donato F. Leone	279
Blanks	73
Park Commissioner for 2 years	
John L. Burns	254
Blanks	98

After the results of the Election were announced by the Warden, it was voted to adjourn the meeting to 7:30 P.M. March 31, 1967.

March 1, 1967

Adjourned meeting called to order by the Moderator Henry P. Clough, at 7:30 P.M. with an attendance of 145 registered voters. Permission was granted by the voters to allow the following to sit in at the meeting: Mr. Napier Scribner of the Worcester Telegram, Mr. Kenneth L. Sharp, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Jacob Oppewal, Town Counsel.

ARTICLE 2. Voted that the Town authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1967 and January 1, 1968, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. Written motion.

ARTICLE 3. Under written motion, it was voted that the Annual Salaries of several elected Town Officers be fixed as follows:

Moderator	25.00
Selectman Chairman	400.00

Board Members	300.00	each
Treasurer	1,500.00	
Tax Collector	1,200.00	plus fees
Assessors	325.00	each
Town Clerk	450.00	plus fees
Constables	20.00	each
Board of Health	50.00	each
Board of Welfare	25.00	each

Tree Warden be compensated at the rate of $1.95 per hour; Park Commissioners be compensated at the rate of $1.75 per hour. All Salaries and Wages be effected as of April 1st.

ARTICLE 4. *APPROPRIATIONS.* Mr. Taylor of the Finance Committee read the Finance Committee Report. Exceptions to be noted and discussed after full reading of the report. With the exceptions of Items 51, 57, 58, 59, 63, 64, and 72, by unanimous voice vote, the report was accepted. Action on above items was as follows:

Item 51. Voted as in original report that $6,100.00 be appropriated under this item. Written motions presented for all items.

Item 57. Voted that the sum of three thousand, seven hundred dollars ($3,700.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that the sum of ten thousand, one hundred and seventy-five dollars ($10,175.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 58. Voted that the sum of one thousand, seven hundred dollars ($1,700.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highways Maintenance and that the sum of three thousand, four hundred dollars ($3,400.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 59. Voted that the sum of three thousand, five hundred dollars ($3,500.00) be appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highways Construction, and that the sum of ten thousand, five hundred dollars ($10,500.00) be appropriated from Available Funds to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work; the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Item 63. Voted that the sum of $4,000.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery account.

Item 64. Voted that the sum of $6,000.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Fund for the purchase of a tractor with special equipment, and that the present 1961 tractor be taken in trade. This tractor to be purchased under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen and the Highway Surveyor.

Item 72. Voted that the sum of $102,886.00 be appropriated for Salaries and Wages for the Center School.

Harold F. Lowell and Henry B. Twitchell served as Tellers and Checkers for the meeting. The complete list of appropriations will be found on a separate sheet following the complete records of the meeting of March 31, 1967.

ARTICLE 5. Under this article it was announced that the sum of $500.00 was donated to the Town by the Brothers of the Brush towards defraying expenses of the 300th Anniversary of the Town of Mendon in 1967. It was voted that the sum of $1500.00 be appropriated to the Anniversary Celebration Fund. Yes 142; No 0.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the sum of $4,000.00 be appropriated for reconstruction work on Park Street.

ARTICLE 7. Voted that the sum of $500.00 be appropriated for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreational Program. Written motion.

ARTICLE 8. Voted that the sum of $2,734.76 be appropriated from the proceeds of Chapter 679 of the Acts of 1965 for the reconstruction of West Hill Road. Written motion.

ARTICLE 9. Voted that the sum of $2,100.00 be appropriated for the purchase of a new police cruiser, with the present police cruiser to be taken in trade. This purchase to be made under the jurisdiction of the Selectmen and the Chief of Police. Written motion.

ARTICLE 10. Under written motion it was voted to hear the report of the Committee on the Town Office Building. Mr. Lamothe and Mr. Hamilton gave verbal reports. Voted to accept the same.

ARTICLE 11. Voted that the construction of a Town Office Building be referred back to the Committee appointed under Article 7 of the Special Town Meeting held November 7, 1966 for further consideration. Written motion.

ARTICLE 12. Voted that the sum of $7,000.00 be appropriated to supplement the present Police Department Budget for the establishment of a full time Police Department. Discussion by Mr. Carlton Goss as to why needed. Presentation of facts were given by Mr. Giatas of the Selectmen. Written motion.

ARTICLE 13. Written motion presented by Mr. Lovely. Under recommendation of the Town Counsel it was moved to be passed over as the article was improperly worded. Voted that the article be passed over and be referred back to the Planning Board for further study. Written motion by the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 14. Voted that this article be referred back to the Planning Board for further study.

ARTICLE 15. Voted that this article be passed over until the Town Office Building Committee can consider incorporating the Library into the Town Office Building. Written motion.

ARTICLE 16. Under written motion, remarks were made by Mr. Kenneth Taylor, James Grant, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Norman Rogers and Mr. John Burns, also Mr. Edward Lamothe. Motion not carried by a voice vote: Yes 41, No 95 (Raised Hands)

ARTICLE 17. By a hand vote of 69 yes and 56 no, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,728.70 for the preparation of preliminary plans and estimates for the proposed new Junior High School.

Voted that the warrant be dissolved and the meeting closed at 9:25 P.M.

Appropriation list for 1967 will be found on page 60.

RECOUNT FOR CONSTABLE
April 18, 1967

Upon request for a recount for Constable of Mendon, the same was duly held on April 19, 1967.

Observers for Tyler were Robert D. Burns, George C. Larson, Jr., E. John Madliocca, Thomas J. Malla, Howard F. Phipps.

Counsel for Tyler was Pacifico M. DeCapua of Milford

Observers for William D. Rondeau were Clifton Bayliss, Carol Howarth and J. Arthur Rondeau.

Counsel for Rondeau was Joseph A. Gattoni of Milford.

Recount was in charge of the Board of Registrars with Harry Wiersma as the attending police for the same.

Counsel for Mendon was Michael P. Visconti of Milford, substituting for Jacob Oppewal.

Result of the recount was announced at 8:40 P.M.

Tellers for the recount were Blanche Lamothe, Dorothy Lowell, Dorothy Mantoni, Stella Savicki, Helen Taylor and Anna Mae Wood, Warden.

Robert E. Klein	104
William D. Rondeau	121
Paul R. Tyler	124
Blanks	3
Total votes cast	352

Two challenged votes, duly examined and noted by the Board of Registrars.

Emily L. Coleman
Town Clerk

BUDGET EXPENDITURES
under Article 4
1967

Moderator, Salary	$ 25.00
Finance Committee, expense	100.00
Selectmen, Salary and Wages	973.75
Expense	440.00
Town Accountant, Salary	675.00
Expense	75.00
Treasurer, Salary	1,425.00
Expense	675.00
Tax Collector, Salary and Wages	1,175.00
Expense	725.00
Assessors, Salary and Wages	1,300.00
Expense	750.00
Town Counsel, Salary	50.00
Expense	600.00
Town Clerk, Salary	450.00
Expense	725.00

Elections and Registrations	
Salary and Wages	680.00
Expense	320.00
Planning Board, Expense	200.00
Industrial Dev. Comm. Expense	300.00
Record Room, Salaries and Wages	3,300.00
Expense	800.00
Equipment, room divider	500.00
Title Tax Foreclosure	100.00
Heat and Lights – Town Buildings	3,000.00
Town Hall Maintenance, Salary	580.00
Expense	925.00
Constables, Salaries	55.00
Police Department, Salaries and Wages	11,000.00
Expense	2,300.00
Dog Officer, Salary	57.00
Expense	625.00
Fire Department, Salaries and Wages	1,300.00
Expense	1,650.00
Equipment	950.00
Forest Fires, Salaries and Wages	900.00
Expense	425.00
Civil Defense, Salary	100.00
Expense	250.00
Auxiliary Police	475.00
Board of Appeals, Expense	25.00
Wiring Inspector, Salary	170.00
Expense	35.00
Gas Inspector, Salary	25.00
Tree Warden, Salary	1,500.00
Expense	1,300.00
Insect Pest Control	700.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,100.00
Additional Spraying, mosquito	800.00
Board of Health, Salaries	225.00
Expense	6,100.00
Inspector of Animals, Salary	150.00
Inspector of Slaughtering, Salary	25.00
Inspector of Plumbing, Salary	200.00
Highways, General Repairs, Salaries	4,500.00
Expense	2,350.00
Chapter 81, Town's Share	3,700.00
State's share from available funds	10,175.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	
Town's Share	1,700.00

State and County share from available funds	3,400.00
Chapter 90 Construction	
Town's share	3,500.00
State and County share from available funds	10,500.00
Snow removal, Salaries and Wages	4,500.00
Expense	11,500.00
Street Lights	1,500.00
Road Machinery Account from Road Machinery Fund	4,000.00
Equipment Purchase from Road Machinery Fund	6,000.00
Board of Welfare Salaries	75.00
Administration, Public Assistance, Salary	3,000.00
Equipment	500.00
Public Assistance	46,000.00
Veterans' Administration, Salary	437.50
Expense	112.50
Aid to Veterans	2,750.00
Center School, Salaries and Wages	102,886.00
Expense	40,411.36
Vocational Education	4,524.00
Nipmuc Regional School District	
Capital Costs	22,460.91
Operating and Maintenance Cost	137,842.40
Blackstone Valley Vocational School District	
Capital Costs	1,410.11
Operating and Maintenance cost	4,960.14
Taft Public Library	
Salaries and Wages	1,365.00
(Including Library Aid of $517.00)	
Expense	975.00
(Including Dog License Refund of $377.86)	
Park Department	
Salaries and Wages	600.00
Expense	460.00
Town Beach and Recreation Program	
Salaries and Wages	1,600.00
Expense	750.00
Pensions and Benefits	
Worcester County Retirement	4,670.44
Group Insurance – Town employees	2,500.00
Administration	25.00
Town Reports	800.00
Memorial Day Observance	300.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	50.00
Insurance on Town Buildings	2,500.00
Reserve Fund	4,000.00

Water Department Expense	1,120.00
Maturing Debt	
Water Loan	1,000.00
Town Beach Loan	2,000.00
Center School Addition Loan	6,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	
Water Loan	56.25
Town Beach Loan	528.00
Center School Addition Loan	1,440.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	2,000.00

TOWN WARRANT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon, on Monday the 11th day of December A.D. 1967 punctually at 7:30 o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Agreement between the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, Upton and Millbury, with respect to the establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, so that the annual meeting will take place on the first regular meeting of April of each year instead of the first of April.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of a new heating plant for the Center School, this money to be provided for by appropriation from Available Funds in the Treasury, and by transferring $4,000.00 from the Police Department Supplemental Account.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Fund to the account for Public Assistance, and to transfer the sums of $1,500.00 from the Anniversary Celebration Fund, and $2,500.00 from the Board of Health Expense account to the Public Assistance Account.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Fund to the Snow Removal Expense account.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $700.00 from the Center School Salary and Wage account to the Center School Expense account.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting, one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon this 27th day of November A.D. 1967.

Kenneth Taylor
E. Theodore Giatas
Arthur Wiersma
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy attest:
Harold C. Barrows, Jr.
Constable of Mendon

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, twenty-three qualified voters of the Town of Mendon met at the Town Hall the 11th day of December 1967 to act on the articles under the Warrant. The check list was used with Henry B. Twitchell and Harold F. Lowell as tellers. The meeting was opened at 7:30 P.M. by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant. The meeting was then turned over to the Moderator, Henry P. Clough who carried out the business of the meeting.

ARTICLE 1. Under written motion submitted by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, then seconded, it was voted that the Town amend the agreement between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, Upton and Millbury, with respect to the establishment of a Regional Vocational High School district,

so that the Annual Meeting will take place on the first regular meeting of April of each year instead of the first of April.

ARTICLE 2. Under written motion submitted by the Finance Committee, then seconded, it was voted that the sum of $11,000 be appropriated for the purchase and installation of a new heating plant for the Center School, in accordance with specifications drawn up by the School Committee. This money to be provided for by appropriating the sum of $7,000.00 from Available Funds in the Treasury and by transferring the sum of $4,000.00 from the Police Department Supplemental Account.

ARTICLE 3. Under written motion submitted by the Finance Committee, then seconded, it was voted that the sum of $5,000.00 be appropriated for Public Assistance; this money to be provided for by appropriating the sum of $1,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Fund, and by transferring the sums of $1,500.00 from the Anniversary Celebration Fund and $2,500.00 from the Board of Health Expense Account.

ARTICLE 4. Under written motion submitted by the Finance Committee, then seconded, it was voted that the sum of $1,000.00 be appropriated from the Overlay Reserve Fund to the Snow Removal Expense Account.

ARTICLE 5. Under written motion submitted by the Finance Committee, then seconded, it was voted that the sum of $700.00 be transferred from the Center School Salary and Wage Account to the Center School Expense Account.

Voted to dissolve the Warrant. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Emily L. Coleman
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Conservation Committee again directed most of its efforts to the rebuilding and improving of the town recreational area.

Major repairs to the building were completed during the year. These consisted of new lighting systems, shingling of the roof and other minor repairs. Arts and Crafts classes were held in the renovated building during the summer.

The Red Cross swimming program was very well attended, as was the two weeks of additional instructions sponsored by the conservation committee.

Beach permits were issued with attendance averaging over 100 daily.

During the year of 1968 the Conservation Committee will direct its efforts toward the expansion of the swimming and water safety program, and to further development of the recreational area.

The committee expresses its appreciation to the townspeople for their cooperation in 1967 and hopes 1968 will again see the townspeople working with the committee in order to further improve the summer programs.

Very truly yours,

Philip Harding, Chairman
Carl Adams
H. Raymond Grant

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

I hereby submit to you the following report for the year 1967.

Dogs Boarded	49
Complaints received and investigated	61
Dogs turned over to Harvard Research	45
Dogs destroyed	4
Dogs killed by autos	18
Dogs reported missing	28
Dog bites reported	8
Dogs returned to owners	11
Notices sent out for failing to pay dog tax	150

Dog Licenses are due and payable on or before March 31, 1968. Failure to do so, after duly notified, the delinquent owner of a dog can be summoned into court and fined the sum of $15.00, according to law.

All dogs, according to law, must be collared and tagged. Any dog found to be without same can be picked up by the Dog Officer as a stray dog and be taken to the pound.

Any dog, three months old and over, must be licensed. In the case of a dog having been spayed, the spaying certificate must be presented when application for a license is made.

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Ferrucci
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Forest Fire Department answered a total of twenty-six calls during 1967, as follows:

Grass and Brush	12
Out-of-town	2
Tower call	1
Incinerator	2
Plane crash	1
Burning without permits	2
Permits out-of-control	2
Miscellaneous	4

A total of twenty-six acres of grass and brush were burned in the town in 1967.

A total of 833 permits to burn were issued in 1967.

Respectfully submitted,

Linwood E. Lowell
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the year 1967 the Fire Department answered a total of forty calls as follows:

Buildings	7
Automobile	3
Accident	2
Resusitator	1
Chimney	1
Out-of-town calls	3
Electrical	2
Bomb Scare	1
Smoke Scare	1
Miscellaneous	19

The annual Fourth-of-July Celebration was held this year with the addition of the newly formed Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary as participants.

A firemen's Handtub Muster was held on Saturday, June 24th in connection with the town's 300th Anniversary celebration with prizes being awarded to Hancock V.F.H. of Ashburnham, Gerry No. 5 of Marblehead, Torrent No. 1 of Southboro and Niagra No. 2 of Upton. Serving as Judges for the event were Edward Sanchioni of Southboro, Charles Mastin of Ashburnham, Clarence Bryant and Edward Tower. The Department hosted firemen from eight area towns that were once part of Mendon, following the 300th Anniversary Parade on Sunday, June 25th. Refreshments, prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary, were served following the parade, in the Fire Station. The towns of Glendale, R.I. and Northbridge, Mass. assisted in covering in at our station in case of an emergency or fire call.

The Fire Station was again decorated for the holiday season, the tree being donated by Walter Wright and Austin Labastie.

The year 1967 was a most successful year for the Fire Department and I again wish to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in making and keeping it this way.

Respectfully Submitted

Linwood E. Lowell

Chief

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Mendon:

The Board of Health has completed its first year of service. We wish to thank all those who have assisted and cooperated with us during our initial year. We feel we are now organized to the point where we can begin to expand our immunization program. It is our hope that this program will include some of the new state approved vaccines. An animal clinic for the immunization of Rabies is included in our plans.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward J. LaMothe
Ruthann Roy
Melba J. Armour
BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Board of Health
Town of Mendon
Mendon, Mass.

During the year 1967, there were 37 Plumbing Permits issued. A total of $245.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Robert J. Rossetti

Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of the Town of Mendon

I hereby submit this report for the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1967.

I am pleased to report that for the year 1967, that we have not had any fatal accidents, in our town. The accident rate in our town is still too high, and I am sure that with the strict and impartial enforcement, that we will be looking forward to a sudden reduction of automobile accidents in the next year. In the past (3) three months, October, November, and December the Police Department has issued 42 citations to strengthen our determination to reduce accidents.

Our town is patrolled day and night, to give security and protection to the citizens of Mendon; and make it a safer place to live.

Our office is manned until 11 P.M. nightly, and by having a policeman in the cruiser on patrol, we can bring police protection to any home in Mendon, within (7) seven minutes, by having the officer in the station dispatch any message to the cruiser.

I have recommended that one other full time police officer be assigned to my Police Department; to assure a 24 hour coverage to the citizens of Mendon. I have in full force, at this time, an educational program course, which deals strictly with police requirements and the method of putting to use the correct police procedures, which I firmly believe will be a credit to the police individuals as well as the citizens of Mendon.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other departments, who through their assistance, have made our Police Department a highly respected department.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick E. Dunlavey
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TAFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Taft Public Library submit the annual report of the Library for the year ending December 31, 1967.

The Trustees of the Library accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Vestella M. Daniels as Librarian at the end of June 1967. Since her appointment as Librarian in 1945, the Town of Mendon has been most fortunate in having a person who so willingly has given of her time over the years in selecting books to maintain a collection of value to the Town. Mrs. Daniels' Story Hours held in summer months throughout the years have enriched the lives of many of our children in Mendon.

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation to Mrs. Daniels for her sincere and faithful work and for her professional interest in library work for the Town of Mendon. On August 2, from 7 to 8 P.M. at the Library, the Trustees invited the public to a reception for Mrs. Daniels to wish her a pleasant retirement. A gift from the Trustees was presented to Mrs. Daniels by Mr. Childs, Chairman.

Mrs. Lorna F. Rhodes was appointed Librarian as of July 1, 1967 and has as her assistants, Miss E. Jane Coleman and Mrs. Priscilla Denton.

The Library continues to provide for the community its free and valuable services through its considerable supply of books, reference material, and magazines, the use of which is available to all.

However, the Trustees wish to call your attention to the most serious problem of overdue books at the Library. Please be reminded that replacing books which are never returned incurs considerable expense to the taxpayers of our town. Out of the 4118 books borrowed from the Library during 1967, 214 have not been returned. This represents over $800 worth of books. During 1968, the Librarian plans to initiate a system of overdue notices for borrowers and full cooperation is urged.

The Trustees wish to express their appreciation to Mrs. Rhodes, Librarian and her assistants for their interest and efforts in making the Library an integral part of our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard L. Childs, Chairman
Henry P. Clough
Kenneth L. Sharp
Kenneth Taylor
E. Jane Coleman, Secretary

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of Taft Public Library:

The circulation of books and magazines for the year 1967 (139 days) was 4,936. Circulation by classes was as follows: fiction, 1,869; magazines, 818; juvenile, 1,288; biography, 270; history and travel, 267; literature and fine arts, 135; science and useful arts, 192; all others, 97. 71 new borrowers registered, about 2/3 of them juvenile.

During 1967, 67 new books were purchased by the town, 90 by the Fletcher Fund, 1 by the Anna Ellis Fund, and 68 were received as gifts making a total of 226. Our thanks and appreciation go to the following donors: Mr. Winsor Williams, Bancroft Memorial Library, Central Massachusetts Regional Library, Mr. Arthur Johnson, Mrs. Coutu, Standard Oil Company, Louis Lowell and Florence Leslie. The Bookmobile from Central Massachusetts Regional Library in Worcester comes every 6 or 7 weeks with a deposit of books for us to circulate. The new larger Bookmobile emphasizes our inadequate parking facilities. We may also obtain, through the region, books and films to fill special requests.

Fines received from overdue books were $12.53. There are many overdue books outstanding. The cost of books is continually rising and these outstanding books become increasingly expensive to replace. We would appreciate it if our readers would return them.

National Library Week was observed in April with a collection of new books on display. More new books were added in December. We kept the library open June 24th as part of our observance of Mendon's 300th Anniversary. Our appreciation goes to Mrs. Mildred Hummel for assisting as hostess. Our bulletin board was filled with newspaper clippings of the Town's Anniversary activities and pictures of historical interest supplied by Mendon Historical Society through its Librarian, Miss E. Jane Coleman.

Once again I should like to call your attention to the fact that the children's area is too small and some additional provisions should soon be made for them.

We had open house one evening in August for Mrs. Vestella Daniels who retired as librarian after 21 years of service. Our gratitude and sincere appreciation go to Mrs. Daniels for her time and effort during those years. Since her retirement I have been very capably assisted at the library, during the hours I am unable to be there, by Miss E. Jane Coleman and Mrs. Priscilla Denton.

We are always pleased to welcome you to Taft Public Library and to assist you in every way possible. With due thanks to the Trustees and Town Officers for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorna F. Rhodes
Librarian

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of Mendon:

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Building permits approved	12
Permits for additions and accessory buildings	13
Transfers of land requiring approval of board	6

Benjamin Barnes resigned from the board during the year and David Hamilton was appointed to serve on the board for the remainder of the year.

Leo Lovely also resigned from the board at the January meeting. No new board member has been appointed to replace him on the board at this time.

A request for a land survey as a prerequisite for consideration of a master plan, zoning, or as an aid to attract industry into the town was denied at the annual town meeting by a decisive vote.

The board has become aware of the need for changing certain articles in the present planning by-laws and will expect to present amendments at a special town meeting during the year for adoption.

Gordon R. Good
Norman I. Rogers
Donald A. Wheeler
David F. Hamilton

REPORT OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR

Number of Inspections	43
Collected and paid over to Town Treasurer	$246.00

Walter J. Channing
Inspector of Wires

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF MENDON

MASSACHUSETTS

for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1967

SCHOOL DIRECTORY – 1967

School Committee:

Mr. Richard Childs, Chairman	Term expires 1969
Mr. Arthur Johnson	Term expires 1970
Mr. Harris Loring, Jr.	Term expires 1968

Regular meetings are held at Nipmuc Regional High School on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Superintendent of Schools:
Kenneth L. Sharp — Telephone: 473-0994
Office: Nipmuc Regional High School
North Avenue, Mendon, Massachusetts

School Physician:
Ronald Lukert, M.D. — Telephone: 473-3045

School Nurse:
Janet Stockwell, R.N. — Telephone: 473-0994

School Custodian:
William Hazard — Telephone: 473-1768

Transportation Agents:
Harold C. Barrows, Jr. – Mrs. Florence Barrows

Attendance Officer:
Patrick Dunlavey

Teachers:	Grade
Mrs. Gladys Burke	1
Mrs. Dorothy Mathewson	1
Mrs. Ruth Burrill	2
Miss Mary Kirby	2
Mrs. Frances McQueen	3
Miss Anita Espanet	3
Miss Barbara Bartlett	4
Mr. William McCabe	4
Mrs. Lorna Rhodes	5
Miss Alyce Youngson	5
Mr. Daniel Malloy	6
Mrs. Catherine Whelen	6

September 1967

Mr. Edward Soter, Supervisor of Elementary Schools
Mrs. Helen Thomas, Art Sup.
Mrs. Faith Newark, Music Sup.
Mrs. Grace Hutchinson, Dev. Reading
William Rinehart, Handwriting

Teacher Resignations

Mrs. Margaret Bellofatto
Mrs. Sandra Hreczuck
Mrs. Paula Conrad
Miss Arlene Marcy

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1967–1968

Fall Term, Sixteen weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 6, 1967
Term ends Friday, December 22, 1967

Winter Term, Seven weeks:

Term begins Tuesday, January 2, 1968
Term ends Friday, February 16, 1968

Spring Term, Eight weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 26, 1968
Term ends Friday, April 26, 1968

Summer Term, Eight weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 29, 1968
Term ends Friday, June 21, 1968

High School Graduation: June 6, 1968
All schools close: June 21, 1968

Holidays:
Columbus Day, October 12, 1967
Teachers' Convention, November 3, 1967
Thanksgiving, November 23 & 24 (1967)
New Years Day, January 1, 1968
Good Friday, April 12, 1968
Memorial Day, May 30, 1968

Age of Admission to Schools:

To be admitted to Grade 1, a child must be five years old on or before January 1st preceding the opening of school in September. No child will be admitted to Grade 1 for the first time after October 15th.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL CENSUS

The annual census and distribution of school attending children was taken October 1967. This includes all residents of the Town of Mendon attending local or other than local schools as per instructions from the Department of Education. This tabulation also includes children attending kindergarten who have not as yet reached five years of age and children attending high school or vocational schools who are beyond the age of sixteen.

Distribution of School Attending Children-Residents of Mendon as of October 1, 1967:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Number in Public Schools	309	283	
Number in Vocational Schools	9	1	
Number in Private Schools	13	23	
Number in Special Classes	2	4	
Total:	333	311	644

School Enrollment as of October 1, 1967

Mendon Center School

Grade 1	30	23	53
Grade 2	28	26	54
Grade 3	18	28	46
Grade 4	30	29	59
Grade 5	33	26	59
Grade 6	29	23	52
Total:	168	155	323

Students from Mendon attending Nipmuc Regional

Grade 7	30	23	53
Grade 8	31	30	61
Grade 9	30	17	47
Grade 10	14	27	41
Grade 11	21	19	40
Grade 12	15	12	27
Total:	141	128	269

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

It is a pleasure to submit my fourth annual report as Supervisor of Elementary Schools for School Union No. 59, Mendon and Upton.

A successful project in remedial reading and arithmetic was completed in August with funds provided under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Mendon received $5,120.00 and Upton received $10,700.00 at no cost to the towns. The services of two school psychologists were utilized to help in the diagnosing of learning difficulties. Equipment and materials to supplement the program were purchased under the Title I project.

The Mendon P.T.A. donated an over-head projector for the school, for which we express our sincerest appreciation. I plan gradually to have an overhead projector in each classroom.

Our Elementary School Band, under the direction of Mr. Donald Thatcher, had a successful year. Once again the band was awarded a Division One rating.

The Elementary Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. Faith Newark, Vocal Music Supervisor, presented a well-received Christmas concert. Our vocal music program has had a tremendous lift under Mrs. Newark's direction.

Mrs. Janet Stockwell, School Nurse, tested eyes, ears, and measured height and weight. Pupils in Grades One and Four have physical examinations each year. Mrs. Stockwell has helped us greatly by keeping the staff informed of the physical problems and needs of the pupils.

Library books were again purchased under Title II ESEA for the Mendon-Upton elementary schools. The Federal funds have benefited and increased the volumes in our libraries.

I will shortly make recommendations to change the elementary school classroom organization in reading and mathematics from the present homogeneous groupings to a continuous progress or non-graded structure. Since reading and mathematics are fundamental for a pupil's success in school, the school work in reading and arithmetic is divided into more levels of less interval. Moving progressively through these structures with less repetition is easier for all children. The program seeks to give every pupil a chance to learn each day, with less pressure to "catch up" because we have all been created as individuals and there is really no ONE learning pace that is right for all of us. The program also provides for continuity when a pupil is accelerated or slowed up. The continuous progress concept

will operate in what is now termed Grades 2-4. Grades 5 and 6 will remain departmentalized at this time.

A problem which the towns must address themselves to centers around our special education program. We have students in our special education program who are too old to be in an elementary school situation. It is incumbent upon us to provide learning and vocational experiences for these pupils in an environment of their peers. We must provide equal opportunity for these pupils because they can become useful and productive citizens. I am happy to say that plans are being made and discussed to provide opportunities for these students.

The school housing problem which besets our towns is not indigenous to the Nipmuc Regional School. I firmly believe that we cannot look at the regional school program as a separate entity but must perceive it as a part of the total Mendon-Upton school structure. To think otherwise is a false dichotomy. The towns of Mendon and Upton will be investing thousands of dollars in school construction, and I am sure we want the investment to be productive in terms of good education.

Specifically, the time is opportune to take a great leap into the educational revolution generating across the nation. New educational programs, teaching techniques, classroom patterns and organization, which have been tested, are now realities. I see no reason why our children should be left out. I recommend that new construction should center around the "Middle School Concept", housing grades five through eight. This type of organization would not only solve for a long time the overcrowding which exists at the secondary levels but would also solve problems at the elementary levels. We would be able to phase in kindergarten classes with adequate classroom space available for expansion when needed.

Progress is being made by the elementary and secondary teachers in terms of coordinating the curriculum. Curriculum committees have been created in the language arts and social studies with members of the elementary and secondary meeting jointly every other week.

Consultants in reading, mathematics and social studies from the State Department of Education and Worcester State College will conduct workshops for the teachers in the above-mentioned areas.

Finally, I recommend that the school union obtain the services of an elementary school guidance counselor. In today's society the demands are great on our children. Our elementary school children should have the services of a guidance counselor for it is better to guide at an earlier age than to wait until it is too late.

I wish to express my gratitude to all those concerned with education and who with vigor support education which is the foundation of today's society.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward M. Soter
Supervisor of Elementary Schools

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Mendon School Committee and the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee:

It is a pleasure to submit my eighth annual report as your Superintendent of Schools. Working with you toward the improvement of educational programs in our towns is a pleasant and challenging opportunity.

To date, I feel that we have made great strides. However, it would appear that unless more space becomes available on the upper grade levels, we will weaken the program which is now offered. This possibility cannot be taken lightly as the futures of boys and girls are involved. What we do for them now determines the direction of their later lives, educationally, economically and socially. Parents should read carefully the report of Principal Frigard concerning this matter. It is serious.

We are still utilizing as many of the Federal Programs as seems feasible. We have received our full allotments under Titles I & II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and under Titles III and V of the National Defense Education Acts. We have also received funds from the Vocational Education Act of 1963. The money from these various funds has provided our system with better services, added equipment, more teaching aids, and productive ideas. We hope to continue with these projects in 1968.

Considerable time and energy has been expended in negotiating contracts with our teachers' associations. At the time they were signed, it appeared that our systems would stand very favorably in comparison with neighboring towns. However, it is now apparent that Mendon and Upton will probably have the lowest minimum salaries in the area, and our maximums will be low average. This means that we will have difficulty attracting candidates for positions and will encounter some difficulty in holding experienced teachers.

Regionalization in grades K through 12 still appears to be a constructive step for Mendon and Upton to take. There are both educational and financial advantages as well as an improvement in the administrative set-up.

Non-teaching employees are to be congratulated for their co-operation and their devotion to our schools. They perform necessary and important functions without which we could not have the educational environment we now enjoy.

Teaching staffs deserve appreciation for the part they play in our schools. They display a sincere interest in providing good teacher-pupil relationships and their cooperation is commended.

In closing let me continue to express my thanks to the School Committee members and town officials with whom I work. Our purpose is the same, to provide educational opportunities for our children of such a calibre that they will not be short-changed in life.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Sharp
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the citizens of the Town of Mendon, the Elementary School Committee submit their annual report:

The year 1967 will be a memorable one for most residents of Mendon and particularly so for the School Committee.

The 300th Anniversary Committee felt it fitting and proper to show some long lasting tangible evidence of the celebration and consequently with our approval planted fourteen ornamental shade trees around the lawn in front of the schools. The pupils of the Elementary School, not to be outdone, arranged a dedication program under the direction of Mrs. Hutchinson to show their appreciation for this fine deed. All of the teachers and pupils are to be commended for the excellent program presented.

Shortly after the School Committee organized for the year one dedicated member, Mr. H.W. Thatcher, tendered his resignation. This was necessary due to a change in position which required him to move to Georgia. His resignation was accepted with deep regret for he was truly a dedicated and intelligently informed man.

The School Committee met with the Selectmen and reviewed several possible choices for a replacement. It was mutually agreed that Mr. H. Loring, a former member of the Mendon Finance Committee, would be best qualified. Mr. Loring accepted the appointment and was elected Secretary at the April meeting.

The old part of the Elementary School, while structurally sound, is in need of certain repairs. Your Committee has carefully analyzed these and decided that complete replacement of windows in the wooden portion of the building is the most important. This is an expensive undertaking as there are a total of thirty-four windows involved, therefore, we decided to replace a few each year. During the past summer vacation, we replaced nine windows in the 4th grade classroom. We plan to continue replacing on the basis of one or two rooms each year until all four rooms are completed.

The boiler in the old building has given considerable trouble during the year. The committee felt it advisable to have a complete survey made of the heating system before spending any more money for repairs. The services of a Heating Consultant were engaged and a complete survey was made with members of the committee present. The results of this survey indicated immediate replacement of the boiler plus relocation of hot water heater and flushing of lines etc. was required. This matter was brought before the Finance Committee together with necessary supporting estimates, time schedules, etc. The Finance Committee were able at a special Town Meeting in December to transfer from available funds a sum of money that will enable us to replace boiler and recondition the heating system. We hope to have this work done during the February vacation period.

Early in the school year we were approached by Father Ratte of St. Michael's Church regarding use of certain classrooms one afternoon each week for religious classes. After due consideration and mutual agreement on an equitable fee, permission was granted.

The most significant accomplishment of the committee during 1967 was the successful negotiation of a contract with the Elementary School teachers. Many meetings were held to smooth out all details before an agreement was reached and finally signed. We would like to point out at this time that all meetings were harmonious and did not get out of hand and become unruly. All meetings were open meetings.

The present school buildings, at the so-called Center School site, have no name except the old building which still bears the title "Mendon High School." Your committee felt it proper to name this school and as a result decided it should be called the "Henry P. Clough

School." It was our feeling, as well as the feeling of many citizens, that such a dedicated and highly respected educator as Mr. Clough should be honored for his fine work and loyal support of the Mendon Schools. We have, therefore, requested the Selectmen to insert an article in the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting to the effect the Elementary School buildings be named "The Henry P. Clough School."

Although all members of the committee have put in long hours at regular meetings, negotiation meetings and spent considerable time on Saturdays and other evenings attending educational meetings, they feel the time well spent in an effort to bring the best to the Mendon School System at a reasonable cost.

We sincerely wish to thank all Town Department Heads and townspeople that have helped to make our year as successful as it has been.

Respectfully submitted,

MENDON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Richard L. Childs, Chairman
Harris E. Loring, Secretary
Arthur F. Johnson, Member

MENDON SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts

APPROPRIATION		
Salaries & Wages	$102,886.00	
Expenses	40,411.36	
Total Budget 1967:		$143,297.36
Unexpended Balance		167.11
Expenditures		$143,130.25
REIMBURSEMENTS		
General School Fund	$ 47,597.75	
Commonwealth of Mass.:		
School Transportation	7,675.51	
Div. of Special Education	1,651.50	
Div. of Child Gdnship	739.85	
Div. of Vocational Education	526.88	
Town of Uxbridge, Tuition	1,578.75	
Use of School Facilities	298.00	
Sale of Equipment	10.00	60,078.24
Net Cost by taxation:		$ 83,052.01

Expenditures

GENERAL CONTROL	Budget	Expenditures
School Comm. Exp.	250.00	250.84
Supt. Salary	3,720.00	3,720.00
Supt. Clerical	1,840.00	1,662.96
Supt. Off. Supp.	50.00	64.65
Supt. Trav. & Exp.	200.00	200.00
Census	75.00	80.00
Attendance	25.00	0
Total	6,160.00	5,978.45
EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION		
Supvr. Elem. Salary	3,440.00	3,436.84
Supvr. Clerical	948.00	947.30
Supvr. Supp.	25.00	18.30
Supvr. Expense	40.00	9.67
Teachers Salaries	84,020.00	83,072.65
Teachers Travel	40.00	40.00
Teachers Supp.	1,500.00	1,383.55

Textbooks	2,400.00	2,312.92
Audio-Visual Supp.	100.00	40.46
Testing	300.00	272.85
21" T.V.	270.00	246.00
Tuition	2,000.00	3,069.79
Total:	95,083.00	94,850.33
OPER. SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitors Salaries	7,340.00	7,143.76
Janitors Supplies	1,200.00	1,253.38
Fuel	3,500.00	4,030.13
Gas	200.00	191.40
Electricity	2,200.00	2,091.63
Telephone	250.00	193.55
Cafeteria Bond	10.00	10.00
Total:	14,700.00	15,813.85
MAINTENANCE		
Maint. of Grounds	150.00	121.30
Maint. & Rep. Bldgs.	3,500.00	3,875.73
Maint. & Rep. Equip.	3,000.00	2,074.76
Total:	6,650.00	6,071.79
CAPITAL OUTLAY	400.00	395.00
AUXILIARY AGENCIES		
Cafeteria Contingency	500.00	455.00
Library	200.00	201.00
Physician Salary	200.00	200.00
Nurse Salary	1,378.00	1,376.44
Health Supplies	25.00	25.00
Nurse Trav. Exp.	80.00	80.00
Transportation	17,921.36	17,683.39
Total:	$20,304.36	$20,020.83
GRAND TOTAL:	$143,297.36	$143,130.25
VOCATIONAL EDUC. TUITION	3,036.00	2,675.64
VOC. EDUC. TRANS.	1,488.00	939.00

MENDON SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Financial Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1967

Balance January 1, 1967	$ (1,586.56)	
RECEIPTS:		
Cafeteria Sales	12,680.20	
USDA Claim Checks	4,181.39	
Other receipts	547.25	
Total Receipts:		$15,822.28
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Food and Milk	$11,124.46	
Labor	6,632.22	
Other Expense	540.68	
Total Disbursements:		$18,297.36
Balance as of January 1, 1968		$ (2,475.08)
USDA Claim Checks Outstanding	$1,436.25	
Inventory:	1,900.00	
	$3,336.25	

Mrs. Virginia Rogers, Manager

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MENDON–UPTON
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Year Ending December 31, 1967

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Arthur Johnson, Chairman	Term expires 1968
Mr. Donald Wellman, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1968
Mr. L. Everett Murch, Treasurer	Term expires 1968
Mr. James Grant	Term expires 1968
Mrs. Marjorie McLaughlin	Term expires 1968
Mr. Jerald Rice	Term expires 1970

SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth L. Sharp

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Mrs. Catherine Pyne, Secretary – Mrs. Lillian Drake, Clerk

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Christian W. Aussenheimer, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Janet Stockwell, R.N. – Mrs. Joyce Hoberg, R.N.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Anthony H. Gulla, Jr.

To the Citizens of Mendon and Upton:

During the year the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee held regular meetings. Special meetings were also held with the Selectmen and members of the Finance Committees of both Mendon and Upton. A public meeting was held to discuss the 1968 budget.

After numerous meetings with representatives of the Nipmuc Teachers' Association, a contract was negotiated and signed by both parties. This Agreement was one of the first signed in this area and covers the period May 29, 1967 through August 31, 1969. Both parties stated that it is hoped that this will mean better education for your children.

I would like to call your attention to the reports of both the Superintendent of Schools and the High School Principal. Both refer to the growing problem of the shortage of space at Nipmuc. Because of this, the committee was forced to go to double sessions for the 7th and 8th grades. At best, this is a poor temporary solution.

As a result of the vote at Mendon Town Meeting, your committee was not able to move ahead with plans to examine the possibility of building a new Junior High School on a separate location outside the one mile limit spelled out in the original Regional Agreement. Your committee continues to be of the opinion that the best solution for the taxpayers of each town would be a separate building on another piece of property that would allow for definite expansion if, and when, needed in the future.

It is hoped that in the very near future your committee will have a solution to bring up for your consideration at a future town meeting.

The budget for 1968 shows an increase of about 16.34% over that for 1967. Most of this is directly related to changes in the Teachers' salary schedule.

The Committee wishes to extend its thanks to the Administrators, Teachers, Town Officials and citizens of both Mendon and Upton for their assistance in the operation of the Nipmuc Regional School system.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur F. Johnson, Chairman

Mendon-Upton Regional School
District Committee

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

As has been pointed out in my annual reports for the past four years, the need for additional facilities for the high school has been and will continue to be an increasingly acute problem. Double-platooning the seventh and eighth grades during this school year has enabled us to physically house our approximately 640 pupils but has not solved the basic problem of inadequate space to operate an effective educational program.

Our junior high school pupils are definitely being "short-changed" by a severe curtailment of many activities which contribute to the over-all development of a growing young person. Both seventh and eighth grade pupils are participating in only one-half of a normal minimal program in art, music, home economics, industrial arts, physical education and athletics. All of these activities are vital to the total education of a child. Even the academic phase of the afternoon session suffers because of the fact that this is not a normal school condition. The fatigue factor is of vital significance here because after a morning of out-of-school activity, the pupils as a whole are not ready physically or mentally to settle down to a classroom situation which is conducive to the best teaching-learning process.

Also of significance is that in order to utilize the teachers of the specialty activities mentioned above, these must be scheduled during the first two periods of the afternoon session. This schedule places all of the academic subjects into the last four periods of the afternoon, when the motivation for these subjects is at its lowest.

In order to take care of the expanded high school program during the present school year, three rooms in the junior high school wing are being used for high school classes and one for a high school home room. Next September, with over 140 eighth graders moving up to the high school to replace 68 graduating seniors, it is obvious that more use of the junior high wing will be necessary for high school classes. With a comparable sizable increase in the enrollment in grades nine through twelve occurring every year, it will be necessary in the very near future to utilize the junior high wing for high school classes to the extent that the entire school will need to be on double sessions. This will be necessitated by the fact if both seventh and eighth grades are forced into afternoon sessions then these grades would over-flow the junior high wing into rooms which are now used by high school classes. Although this prospect is not a pleasant one, we could be faced with it as soon as September of 1968 if high school class enrollments require a number of class sections in excess of the number of rooms which will be available for high school classes in the junior high school wing. By September

of 1969, when another significant increase in the high school enrollment will occur, placing the entire school on double-sessions will be the only way in which we shall be able to house six grades in the building.

All of the above problems are also significantly associated with Nipmuc Regional High School's accreditation with the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. After we were evaluated by that association in 1963 and were granted full accreditation, it was necessary for us to make a two-year report of progress to that organization in 1965 to indicate what we had done relative to their specific recommendations for improvement of our high school. This report was accepted because we had made sufficient progress on the recommendations. A five-year report will be due next May and several recommendations still have not been and cannot be implemented unless more facilities, staff and funds become available. Some of these are listed below and unless they are fulfilled, our accreditation may be in jeopardy:

1. More space for music, art, home economics, library, and physical education storage facilities
2. The provision of a language laboratory
3. The expansion of outdoor facilities to provide more space for physical education and sports
4. Double laboratory periods at all levels in Home Economics
5. The establishment of a Health Education program
6. The introduction of a specific program to meet the needs of the slow learner and to assist pupils with serious learning problems
7. The provision of more individual and laboratory work in Biology.

I wish to extend my deepest gratitude to all persons who assisted in any manner in the operation of the school during the past year. In particular, I wish to pay tribute to Henry Clough, who retired in June. Those of us who had the privilege of being associated with him know the splendid contributions he made to our school program and the exemplary influence he exerted upon all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Wilho Frigard

NIPMUC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
Thursday, June 8, 1967 8:00 P.M.

Graduating Class

Richard Gary Ainey
Donald Eugene Bartlett
Robert Paul Bartlett
James Edward Benoit
Susan Antoinette Bertzos
Samuel Harry Blackler III
*Nadine Marie Bonda
Stephen Ronald Bradford
Judith Lee Budzinski
*Diane Rose Burnham
Lorna Burns
Darryl Francis Caputo
*Steven Chandler Carter
Linda Patricia Caton
Pamela Joan Craib
Joseph Charles Crowley
Clare Marie Cutler
Claudia Sydney Daubney
William George Daubney
William Lawrence Dowden
Susan Louise Erickson
Leonard Damon Fowler
Theresa Ann Franklin
Brenda Lee Gibson
Roger David Good
Frederick Robert Goodnow
*Marilyn Agnes Gorman
Cheryl Anne Griffith
Kathryn Mary Higgins
Judithanne Hill
Donna Louise Hofstra
*Arthur Frank Johnson
*Deborah Johnson
Edith Louise Johnson
David James Jonis
Patricia Jean Kearnan
*Lucille Lilliane Lambert
Aldore Francis Lamothe
Gerard Francis Lamothe
David Douglas Leclair
*Elsie Hilda van der Linde
Harris Everett Loring III
Robert Irwin McLaughlin
Theresa Anne Merolli
William Bradford Mettey
Gail Gracia Nickerson
Edward Joseph Paradiso
Ernest James Pellerin
*Sally Jane Perkins
*Eugene Eustis Pettinelli
*June Ann Pike
Richard Thomas Porter
John Bernard Powers, Jr.
Kenneth Quintin Ragaini
Marlene Estelle Randall
*James Fenner Rondeau
Raymond Albert Roy
Robert Howard Sears
Carole Marie Sibley
Ida Mary Stuart
Kathleen Ellen Taft
*David Wesley Tinkham
Linda Dorothy Valeika
Robert Henry VanderSluis
Michael Philip Viens
Catherine Theresa Wadsworth
*Deborah Ann Wellman
Alva Jean Wiersma
Anna Mae Wiersma
Cheryl Lee Wood

*National Honor Society

PROGRAM

*PROCESSIONAL	High School Band
*INVOCATION	Rev. David F. Raymond *Upton Congregational Church*
*NATIONAL ANTHEM	All Present
ADDRESS OF WELCOME	Steven Carter *Class President*
SELECTION: "Born Free" *(Black-Barry)*	Class of 1967
ESSAY: "Born Free"	Gerard Lamothe
SELECTION: "You'll Never Walk Alone *(Rodgers-Hammerstein)*	Class of 1967
ESSAY: "You'll Never Walk Alone"	Donald Bartlett
SELECTION: "Impossible Dream" *(Darion-Leigh)*	Class of 1967
ESSAY: "Impossible Dream"	Deborah Johnson
PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT	Harris Loring III
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS	Wilho Frigard *Principal*
REMARKS	Kenneth L. Sharp *Superintendent of Schools*
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS	Arthur F. Johnson *Chairman, School Committee*
*BENEDICTION	Rev. Henry Cooper *Mendon Unitarian Church*
*RECESSIONAL	High School Band
Director of Band and Chorus	Donald Thatcher
Accompanist	Clare Cutler
Marshal	James Matthews *Junior Class President*

* Audience Standing

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Steven Carter
Vice-President	Harris Loring III
Secretary	Deborah Wellman
Treasurer	Edith Johnson

CLASS ADVISOR

Stephen Bodnar

CLASS MOTTO

"And Miles To Go Before I Sleep"

CLASS COLORS

Midnight Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Lily of the Valley

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Johnson, *Chairman*
Donald B. Wellman, *Vice-Chairman*
L. Everett Murch, *Treasurer*
Mrs. Charles McLaughlin
Jerald Rice
James Grant

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kenneth L. Sharp

SCHOOL FACULTY

Wilho Frigard, *Principal*
Henry Clough, *Assistant Principal*
Stephen Bodnar
Allan Byrne
Patricia Cullen
Thomas Cullen
Anne Davenport
Joseph Flaherty
Lucille Gilbert
Gordon Good
Maryellen Gray
Stephanie Gucciardi
Anthony Gulla
Robert Healy
John Karagosian
Beverly Keeler
Joseph Kiley
William Kimball
Eileen Lucier
James McGee
Peter McShane
Joanne Mongeon
Paul Mongeon
Harold Murphy
Carl Olson
Robert Redden
Richard Robinson
Paul Smith
Robert Smith
Janet Stockwell
Linda Sweeney
Donald Thatcher
Muriel Tinkham
Ruth Voss
Marjorie Weed
Mary Woods

AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE 1967 GRADUATION EXERCISES

1. The Good Citizenship Certificate for excellence of character given by the Daughters of the American Revolution to Deborah Wellman.
2. The Student Government Day Representative Certificate to Steven Carter.
3. The Mendon Alumni Association Medal for the student who has made a significant contribution to his class and school to Deborah Wellman.
4. The American Legion School Award given by the Roger L. Wood Post of Mendon to the student who best exemplifies the qualities of honor, courage, scholarship, leadership and service to Lucille Lambert.
5. Ella Whitney Risteen Awards of $25.00 each to the boy and girl who have made the greatest progress in terms of total growth and development of the student during the high school course to Ida Stuart and Arthur Johnson.
6. Scholarship of $25.00 from the Art Club of Nipmuc Regional High School to Lorna Burns.
7. French Club Scholarship of $35.00 to Arthur Johnson.
8. Future Teachers of America Club Scholarship of $50.00 to Alva Wiersma.
9. Future Business Leaders of America Club Scholarship of $50.00 to June Pike.
10. Faculty Wives and Women's Club Scholarship of $50.00 to Judith Budzinski.
11. Upton Women's Club Scholarship of $75.00 to Clare Cutler.
12. Upton Grange Scholarships of $50.00 each to Catherine Wadsworth and Darryl Caputo.
13. Waldo Graton Scholarship of $100.00 awarded by the Upton Kiwanis Club to James Rondeau.
14. Upton Bloomer Girls Scholarships of $100.00 each to Judith Budzinski and Kenneth Ragaini.
15. Scholarships of $75.00 each awarded by the George L. Wood Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars of Upton to Sally Perkins and Eugene Pettinelli.
16. Mendon-Upton Elementary Teachers Association Scholarship of $100.00 to Marilyn Gorman.

17. Nipmuc Regional Teachers Association Scholarships to the following graduates in the amounts indicated:

Darryl Caputo	$100.00
Arthur Johnson	$100.00
Deborah Johnson	$100.00
Edith Johnson	$100.00
Gerard Lamothe	$100.00
Elsie van der Linde	$100.00
Harris Loring	$100.00
James Rondeau	$100.00
Catherine Wadsworth	$100.00
Brenda Gibson	$150.00
Eugene Pettinelli	$150.00
Deborah Wellman	$150.00
Steven Carter	$200.00

MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
REPORT OF CAFETERIA MANAGER

To the Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee and
Mr. Kenneth L. Sharp, Superintendent

Gentlemen:

During the past year the students have continued to have a high participation in the Lunch Program. With the use of USDA commodities, we have been able to keep the cost of student lunches at $.25 per meal in spite of rising food costs.

In September, the Junior High went on double sessions and are no longer included in the lunch program. However, milk is sold to these students under a special milk program through the cooperation of the school administration and cafeteria.

I extend my sincere thanks to the students, parents, school personnel and my staff for the fine cooperation in helping to make the lunch program a success during my first year as manager.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Marion Prentiss, Manager

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash Balance January 1, 1967	$ (878.14)	
RECEIPTS:		
Cafeteria Sales	18,381.44	
USDA Claim checks	6,923.25	
Other receipts	96.30	
Total Receipts:		$24,522.85
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Food and Milk	$16,542.57	
Labor	9,328.46	
Other Expense	1,116.54	
Total Disbursements		$26,987.57
Balance as of January 1, 1968		$ (2,464.72)
USDA Claim checks outstanding:	$1,815.06	
Inventory	1,123.30	
	$2,938.36	

MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENT – DECEMBER 31, 1967

General Control	Budget	Expenditures
Treas. Salary	250.00	250.00
Treas. Clerical	1,000.00	689.97
Treas. Acct.	250.00	0
Treas. Supp.	200.00	198.51
Treas. & Sch. Comm. Exp.	75.00	69.25
Supt. Salary	4,650.00	4,650.00
Supt. Clerical	2,300.00	2,077.56
Supt. Off. Supp.	225.00	265.71
Supt. Trav. & Exp.	275.00	275.00
Total	9,225.00	8,476.00
Exp. of Instruction		
Prin. Salary	10,991.35	10,991.35
Prin. Clerical	3,688.00	3,324.53
Prin. Off. Supp.	200.00	198.15
Prin. Exp.	300.00	277.90
Teachers Salaries	209,379.00	204,864.66
Teachers Trav. Exp.	200.00	158.01
Supvr. Double Sess.	250.00	378.00
Supplies - General	2,000.00	1,952.89
Supplies - Dept.	6,834.16	6,154.74
Textbooks	3,500.00	3,437.61
Librarian Salary	7,167.00	7,130.70
Library Supp.	250.00	250.00
Library Books	2,000.00	1,991.53
Audio-Vis. Dir. Salary	200.00	200.00
A-V Supplies	375.00	266.43
Guidance Salaries	16,134.00	16,103.68
Guidance Clerical	1,780.00	1,777.89
Guidance Supp.	1,090.00	1,090.00
Athletic Supp.	2,629.50	2,655.39
Total	268,968.01	263,203.46
Oper. School Plant		
Police Duty	25.00	100.00
Janitor Salaries	14,334.00	14,373.46
Janitor Supplies	2,000.00	1,922.91
Heating of Bldg.	7,500.00	7,770.30
Electricity	7,000.00	7,661.57

Gas	200.00	130.11
Telephone	1,000.00	1,233.83
Snow & Rubbish Rem.	600.00	722.38
Total	32,659.00	33,914.56
Maintenance		
Maint. of Grounds	3,700.00	3,680.41
Maint. of Bldg.	2,500.00	1,953.00
Maint. of Equip.	800.00	1,396.86
Replacing Equip.	1,000.00	728.01
Total	8,000.00	7,758.28
Transportation		
Late Trans.	5,500.00	4,203.38
Extra Trans.	1,000.00	697.33
Athletic Trans.	1,500.00	1,307.95
Regular Trans.	28,211.60	28,489.85
Double Sess. Trans.	4,000.00	10,340.45
Total	40,211.60	45,038.96
Aux. Agencies		
Physician Salary	700.00	700.00
Nurse Salary	1,721.00	2,111.83
Health Supp.	175.00	168.24
Health Other Exp.	100.00	100.00
Graduation	225.00	194.03
Worc. Cty. Ret.	3,000.00	3,184.39
Ins. & Workmens Comp.	1,982.00	2,015.50
Ins. 32B	4,176.36	4,334.93
Treas. Bond	160.00	167.00
Architect	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total	14,239.36	14,975.92
Capital Outlay	4,743.70	4,363.17
Spec. Services	100.00	0
GRAND TOTAL	378,146.67	377,730.35

MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash Balance, January 1, 1967	$ 67,968.36	
Receipts:		
Town Assessments:		
Upton	226,622.39	
Mendon	160,303.31	
State Reimbursements	73,880.66	
Natl. Defense Ed. Act Grants	1,940.42	
Interest	685.86	
Miscellaneous	2,472.83	
Disbursements:		
Operation Expense		$379,587.80
Debt Service:		
Principle		60,000.00
Interest		29,750.00
Net Decrease in School Lunch Fund		1,586.58
Net Decrease in School Athletic Fund		316.20
Cash Balance, January 1, 1968		62,633.25
	$533,873.83	$533,873.83

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS:		
Cash in Banks, January 1, 1968		
General Fund	$62,633.25	
Total Assets		$62,633.25
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:		
Federal Grants	5,890.13	
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch	(2,464.72)	
Athletic Fund	176.35	
Appropriation Balance	59,031.49	
		$62,633.25

Mendon-Upton Regional School District School Bond:

4¼% dated July 1, 1959:	
Original Issue	$1,150,000.00
Bonds Matured	480,000.00
Balance Due	$ 670,000.00

$60,000.00 serially due July 1, each year to 1974 inclusive.

$50,000.00 serially due July 1, each year 1975 to 1979 inclusive.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

At the end of our first full year of operation, we feel that the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School is operating efficiently and serving the people of the area effectively in several divergent capacities, as shown in the number of students who enrolled in the various school training programs:

1. About 250 freshmen and sophomore boys in the day program.
2. 30 young men in the Automotive Machinist course.
3. 180 men and women in the Evening Trade Extension program.
4. 43 women in the Nursing Aide classes.

Thus we have enabled about 500 people to further their education through our school.

The morale, standards, and cooperative spirit of the school staff continue to remain high, and we look forward with confidence to an even brighter and busier future for the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Gerard Sweeney

BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Revenue for the Year Ended December 31, 1967

	Appropriated	Expended	Budget
Administration			
School Committee	$ 3,900.00	$ 2,664.75	$ 1,235.25
Administration			
Superintendent's Office	11,940.00	11,539.45	400.55
Director's Office	17,700.00	5,415.84*	12,284.16
Teaching	143,610.00	41,709.30*	101,900.70
Textbooks	7,000.00	0	7,000.00
Library Service	3,000.00	730.75	2,269.25
Audio-Visual Program	1,800.00	0	1,800.00
Guidance	9,900.00	509.69*	9,390.31
Health Service	2,800.00	2,003.84	796.16
Pupil Transportation	35,700.00	28,110.08	7,589.92
Food Service	7,300.00	2,965.55**	4,334.45
Athletic Program	7,700.00	2,593.16	5,106.84
Other Student Body Activities	300.00	18.76	281.24
Custodial Services	15,700.00	11,113.00	4,587.00
Heating Building	9,500.00	6,422.59	3,077.41
Utility Service	10,000.00	9,280.24	719.76
Maintenance on Plant	5,200.00	1,770.94	3,429.06
Insurance Program	9,150.00	6,349.89	2,800.11
Debt Service – Current Loans	500.00	197.36	302.64
Community Services	200.00	0	200.00
Equipment Acquisition	200.00	0	200.00
Manpower Development & Training Project	65,500.00	0	65,500.00
Total Operating	368,600.00	133,395.19	235,204.81
Debt Service Retirement			
Bond Principal	85,000.00	85,000.00	0
Interest	58,830.00	58,830.00	0
Total Debt Service Ret.	143,830.00	143,830.00	0
	$512,430.00	$277,225.19	$235,204.81

Less Estimated Receipts	
George Barden Funds	$ 78,000.00
MDTA	65,000.00
Transportation	8,000.00
SBAC – Construc. Reimburs.	50,002.00
Transferred from E & D	36,000.00
Total Estimated Receipts	237,002.00
Total Assessment to Towns	$275,428.00

*Net of George Barden Funds
**Net of Cafeteria Receipts

Summary of Revenue

Interest Income	$25,114.82
Miscellaneous	718.68
	$25,833.50

TOWN OF MENDON

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

including

WARRANT

for

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

1968

FINANCE COMMITTEE TERMINOLOGY

The following terms are frequently used in the Annual and Special Town Meetings. These definitions are provided in order to give one a better understanding of their meaning:

SURPLUS REVENUE:

This fund represents the amount by which the Cash, Accounts Receivable and other floating assets exceed the liabilities and reserves.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: (Often referred to as Free Cash)

A fund certified annually by the State Bureau of Accounts by deducting from Surplus Revenue all uncollected taxes for prior years.

RESERVE FUND:

This fund is established by the voters at an annual town meeting only and may be composed of 1) an appropriation not exceeding 5% of the tax levy of the preceding year; 2) money appropriated from Overlay Reserve; or 3) both. Transfers from the Reserve Fund are within the exclusive control of the Finance Committee and are for "extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures."

OVERLAY:

The Overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover abatements granted and avoiding fractions.

OVERLAY RESERVE:

This is the accumulated amount of the Overlay for various years not used or required to be held in the specific Overlay account for a given year, and may be used by vote of the town for extraordinary or unforeseen purposes or voted into the Reserve Fund.

ROAD MACHINERY FUND: (An Income Account)

The Town charges for municipally owned equipment used on State (Ch. 81 & 90) reimbursed work. This charge is based upon acceptable rates set by the Mass. D.P.W. and covers equipment such as trucks, back hoes and rollers. The income is then deposited into this account. These funds are later appropriated to the Road Machinery Account.

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT:

This is an Expense Account and is used only for expenditures.

STABILIZATION FUND:

A special account created to provide a reserve for capital expenditures. The State will match sums, taken from this Fund, under certain conditions during the first year only; and in amounts up to a maximum of $100,000. This will reduce Bonding cost for Mendon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Citizens of Mendon:

For 1968 your Finance Committee recommends that the sum of $613,878.47 be raised and appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting. This includes $595,505.22 for Article 4 appropriations and $18,373.25 for Special Articles. Available and Special Funds amount to $40,925.26.

These figures were arrived after thorough consideration of all budget requests. We wish to thank all departments for their cooperation.

The major increases in the Article 4 recommended appropriations are as follows:

Wage Accounts:

The various wage accounts reflect a 15¢ per hour increase for all hourly paid employees effective April 1, 1968. The approximate cost of these increases amounts to $3,500.00.

1. General Government: $1,900.00 increase

Increased Election and Registration wages due to Presidential Election.

2. Protection of Persons and Property: $14,500.00 increase

First full year of full time Police Department operation reflected in $13,600.00 increase.

3. Health and Sanitation: $300.00 increase

Increased cost of operation of the Town Dump.

4. Highways: $1,600.00 increase

Proposed purchase of sidewalk snow removal equipment.

5. Charities: $2,000.00 increase

State take-over of Welfare costs will not become effective until July 1. Increased case load (primarily Medicaid) necessitates a $2,000.00 increase over last year.

6. Veterans' Benefits: $1,300.00 increase

Increase in medical costs.

7. Schools: $47,600.00 increase

$25,000.00 increase in salaries, $11,000.00 increase in transportation costs due to double sessions, $4,000.00 in architect fees.

8. Library: $300.00 increase
Increase in wages and cost of books.

9. Parks and Recreation: $900.00 increase
Additional fence required and expansion of Beach Recreation Program.

10. Pensions: $700.00 decrease

11. Unclassified: $1,100.00 increase
$1,000.00 increase in Reserve Fund.

12. Water Department: $900.00 increase
Increase in hydrant service charge.

13. Debt and Interest: $100.00 decrease

Article SPECIAL ARTICLES

2. Temporary Loans:
Recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow money in anticipation of revenue, with the approval of the Selectmen.

3. Salaries of Elected Town Officers:
We are not recommending any increases in annual salaries this year.

5. Unpaid Bills of 1967:
Recommend that $138.49 be appropriated to pay unpaid bills of 1967. – This requires a 4/5ths vote at the Town Meeting.

6. Town Office Buildings and Library:
No information available at time of publication of Town Report. Recommendation will be made on Town Meeting floor.

7. Fire Alarm System:
To provide adequate protection for the Center School and Nipmuc Regional High School, we recommend that $8,500.00 be appropriated for the installation of a basic Fire Alarm Network.

8. Library Boiler:
Recommendation will be made on Town Meeting floor pending outcome of Article 6.

9. George Street Drainage:
Recommend that $2,500.00 be appropriated to improve drainage on George Street.

10. Park Street:

Recommend that $4,000.00 be appropriated for reconstruction work on Park Street.

11. Bates Street:

Recommend that $2,734.76 be appropriated from State Grant under Chapter 616 Acts of 1967 for the reconstruction of Bates Street.

12. Retarded Children:

Recommend that $500.00 be appropriated for a Regional Summer Recreational Program for Retarded Children.

13. Trust Fund – Pine Hill Cemetery:

Recommend that this Trust Fund be established.

14. School Name:

Recommend that the Center School name be changed to Henry P. Clough School.

15. Town Beach Under Jurisdiction of Park Commission:

Recommend that the Town Beach be placed under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission.

16. Town Forest Under Jurisdiction of Conservation Commission:

Recommend that the Town Forest be placed under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission.

17. Adoption of Chapter 41 Section 97A:

We do not recommend the adoption of Chapter 41 Section 97A of the General Laws for the Town of Mendon.

18. Tenure for Police Chief:

We do not recommend tenure for the Police Chief.

We wish to thank the citizens of Mendon for their support and cooperation. We urge all voters to attend the Annual Town Business Meeting which is scheduled for March 29, 1968 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Taylor, *Chairman*
William F. Ober, *Clerk*
Daniel N. Barnes
Emerson F. White
John S. Hogarth, Jr.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 4
BUDGET EXPENDITURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Item		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	**Recommended 1968**
	General Government – 3.9% of Total			
1.	Moderator, Salary	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	$ 25.00
2.	Finance Committee, Expense	59.20	52.75	100.00
	Selectmen			
3.	Salaries	1,222.60	973.75	1,000.00
4.	Expense	329.73	409.17	450.00
	Town Accountant			
5.	Salary	600.00	675.00	700.00
6.	Expense	83.22	89.82	100.00
	Treasurer			
7.	Salary	1,200.00	1,425.00	1,500.00
8.	Expense	535.00	675.00	700.00
	Tax Collector			
9.	Salary	1,164.00	1,175.00	1,200.00
10.	Expense	865.71	716.69	775.00
	Assessors			
11.	Salaries & Wages	1,225.35	1,116.35	1,175.00
12.	Expense	462.06	335.43	725.00
	Town Counsel			
13.	Salary	50.00	50.00	50.00
14.	Expense	958.05	1,248.83	950.00
	Town Clerk			
15.	Salary	412.50	450.00	450.00
16.	Expense	466.91	531.22	875.00
	Elections & Registrations			
17.	Salaries & Wages	1,169.10	655.70	1,630.00
18.	Expense	426.00	157.97	545.00
19.	Planning Board, Expense	150.27	172.59	275.00
20.	Industrial Dev. Comm., Expense	0	100.00	300.00
	Record Room			
21.	Salaries & Wages	87.50	3,092.90	3,500.00
22.	Expense	815.00	770.49	1,200.00
23.	Furniture & Equipment	0	424.34	300.00
24.	Tax Title Foreclosure	0	0	100.00
25.	Heat & Lights – Town Buildings	2,490.30	3,156.00	3,000.00
	Town Hall Maintenance			
26.	Salary	509.97	580.00	600.00
27.	Expense	1,100.63	408.99	550.00
	Exterior Painting	1,013.75	0	0
	TOTAL	$17,421.85	$19,467.99	$22,775.00

		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recommended 1968
	Protection of Persons and Property – 6.8% of Total			
28.	Constables, Salaries	$ 36.25	$ 55.00	$ 60.00
	Police Department			
29.	Salaries & Wages	8,009.53	9,724.33	22,500.00
30.	Expense	1,669.37	2,296.32	4,400.00
	Cruiser Trade-In	1,690.00	4.50	0
	Dog Officer			
31.	Salary	46.25	57.50	60.00
32.	Expense	630.00	813.55	800.00
	Fire Department			
33.	Salaries & Wages	1,757.29	1,693.46	2,400.00
34.	Expense	1,961.64	2,070.42	1,900.00
35.	Equipment	914.60	942.90	1,200.00
	Civil Defense			
36.	Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
37.	Expense	320.65	20.42	250.00
38.	Auxiliary Police, Expense	0	571.54	500.00
39.	Board of Appeals, Expense	7.50	0	25.00
	Wiring Inspector			
40.	Salary	80.00	170.00	200.00
41.	Expense	0	21.00	35.00
42.	Gas Inspector, Salary	25.00	25.00	25.00
	Tree Warden			
43.	Wages	2,888.65	1,234.25	1,250.00
44.	Expense	1,173.00	1,563.50	1,550.00
45.	Insect Pest Control	699.50	699.50	800.00
46.	Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,300.00
47.	Additional Spraying (Inc. Mosquito)	800.00	800.00	900.00
	TOTAL	$23,909.23	$23,963.19	$40,255.00
	Health & Sanitation – 1.2% of Total			
	Board of Health			
48.	Salaries	$ 213.75	$ 225.00	$ 225.00
49.	Expense	2,766.56	3,138.60	6,350.00
50.	Inspector of Animals, Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00
51.	Inspector of Slaughtering, Salary	25.00	25.00	25.00
52.	Inspector of Plumbing, Wages	0	225.00	250.00
	TOTAL	$3,155.31	$3,763.60	$7,000.00
	Highways – 11.7% of Total			
	General Repairs			
53.	Wages	$ 4,277.70	$ 3,868.70	$ 4,200.00
54.	Expense	1,708.02	1,568.99	2,300.00
55.	Chapter 81			
	Town's Share	3,699.93	3,699.98	3,700.00
	State's Share (Available Funds)	10,174.93	10,174.94	10,175.00
56.	Chapter 90 Maintenance			
	Town's Share	1,697.76	1,699.84	1,700.00
	State & County Share (Available Funds)	3,395.52	3,399.68	3,400.00
57.	Chapter 90 Construction			
	Town's Share	186.40	1,304.15	3,500.00
	State & County Share (Available Funds)	0	3,912.44	10,500.00

Item		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	**Recommended 1968**
	Snow Removal			
58.	Wages	$ 4,196.90	$ 4,449.45	$ 4,800.00
59.	Expense	10,801.51	13,500.00	10,000.00
60.	Street Lights	1,224.96	1,283.44	1,500.00
61.	Road Machinery Account (From Road Machinery Fund)	3,349.63	3,699.84	3,700.00
62.	Equipment Purchase (From Road Machinery Fund)	2,054.08	3,918.00	9,500.00
	TOTAL	$46,767.34	$56,479.45	$68,975.00
	Items #55, 56 and 57 will be voted individually			
	Charities – 8.7% of Total			
63.	Board of Welfare, Salaries	$ 67.50	$ 75.00	$ 75.00
	Administration, Public Assistance			
64.	Salary	2,000.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
	Equipment	0	500.00	0
65.	Public Assistance	38,204.70	50,727.19	50,000.00
	TOTAL	$40,272.20	$54,302.19	$51,575.00
	Veterans' Benefits – 0.8% of Total			
	Administration			
66.	Salary	$ 400.00	$ 437.50	$ 450.00
67.	Expense	24.55	90.70	125.00
68.	Aid to Veterans	1,811.67	3,862.95	4,000.00
	TOTAL	$2,236.22	$4,391.15	$4,575.00
	Schools – 61.9% of Total			
	Center School			
69.	Salaries & Wages	$ 95,438.19	$101,639.95	$116,849.81
70.	Expense	37,284.00	41,490.30	41,028.56
71.	Capital Costs	7,620.00	7,440.00	7,260.00
72.	Vocational Education	3,519.20	3,614.64	4,872.00
	Nipmuc Regional School District			
73.	Operating & Maint. Costs	130,070.69	137,842.40	171,205.18
74.	Capital Costs	22,896.44	22,460.91	21,760.60
	Blackstone Valley Voc. School Dist.			
75.	Operating & Maint. Costs	3,057.26	4,960.14	4,977.60
76.	Capital Costs	1,872.46	1,410.11	1,630.00
	TOTAL	$301,758.24	$320,858.45	$369,583.75
	Library – 0.5% of Total			
	Taft Public Library			
77.	Salaries & Wages (including Library Aid of $517.00)	$1,243.90	$1,365.00	$1,500.00
78.	Expense (including Dog License Refund of $398.50)	947.97	989.99	1,125.00
	TOTAL	$2,191.87	$2,354.99	$2,625.00
	Parks & Recreation – 0.7% of Total			
	Park Department			
79.	Wages	$ 764.70	$ 600.00	$ 100.00
80.	Expense	150.86	425.99	1,050.00

Item		Expended 1966	Expended 1967	Recommended 1968
	Town Beach & Recreation Program			
81.	Salaries & Wages	$1,283.00	$1,600.00	$1,800.00
82.	Expense	744.16	750.00	1,400.00
	TOTAL	$2,942.72	$3,375.99	$4,350.00
	Pensions & Benefits – 1.1% of Total			
83.	Worcester County Retire. Fund	$3,577.65	$4,670.44	$3,895.72
84.	Group Ins. – Town Employees	756.30	1,820.22	2,500.00
85.	Group Ins. – Administration	0	100.00	100.00
	TOTAL	$4,333.95	$6,590.66	$6,495.72
	Unclassified – 1.5% of Total			
86.	Town Reports	$ 713.90	$ 675.00	$ 950.00
87.	Memorial Day Observance	258.13	275.95	300.00
88.	Soldiers' & Sailors' Graves	50.00	50.00	50.00
89.	Insurance on Town Buildings	2,469.00	2,420.00	2,500.00
90.	Reserve Fund			5,000.00
	(Expended '66 $2,826.28)			
	(Expended '67 $3,950.60)			
	TOTAL	$3,491.03	$3,420.95	$8,800.00
	Public Service Enterprise – 0.3% of Total			
	Water Department			
	Salaries & Wages	$ 109.80	$ 0	$ 0
91.	Expense	1,134.33	1,695.00	2,000.00
	TOTAL	$1,244.13	$1,695.00	$2,000.00
	Maturing Debt & Interest – 1.1% of Total			
	Maturing Debt			
92.	Water Loan	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
93.	Town Beach Loan	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Interest on Maturing Debt			
94.	Water Loan	78.75	56.25	33.75
95.	Town Beach Loan	594.00	528.00	462.00
96.	Interest on Temporary Loans	1,751.65	2,539.19	3,000.00
	TOTAL	$5,424.40	$6,123.44	$6,495.75
	Total Article IV	$455,148.49	$506,787.05	$595,505.22

Summary

	Appropriated 1967	Recommended 1968
Total Article IV	$522,745.86	$595,505.22
Total Special Articles	21,563.46	18,373.25
Total Recommendations	$544,309.32	$613,878.47
Total Special & Available Funds	37,704.62	40,925.26
Balance to be Raised by Tax Levy	$506,604.70	$572,953.21

TOWN WARRANT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Mendon in the County of Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in said Mendon on Monday the 25th day of March A.D. 1968 punctually at 9:00 o'clock A.M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 2 and all following Articles on this Warrant will be acted upon Friday, the twenty-ninth day of March, 1968 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE 1. To bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

One Moderator for one year
One Selectman for three years
One Assessor for three years
One Town Clerk for one year
One Tree Warden for one year
One Highway Surveyor for one year
One Member of the Regional School District Committee for three years
One Member of the Elementary School Committee for three years
One Trustee for Taft Public Library for two years
One Park Commissioner for three years
One Water Commissioner for three years
One Member of the Planning Board for two years
One Member of the Planning Board for four years
One Member of the Planning Board for five years
One Constable for three years
One Member of the Board of Health for three years
One Member of the Housing Authority for five years
One Member of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District for three years

all on one ballot, designating the office intended for each person.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1968 and January 1, 1969, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

RECOMMEND that the Treasurer be so authorized.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the Salaries and compensations of the Elected Officers of the Town.

RECOMMEND that the Annual salaries of the Elected Officers of the Town be fixed as follows: Moderator – $25.00; Chairman of Selectmen – $400.00; Board Members – $300.00 each; Treasurer – $1,500.00; Tax Collector – $1,200.00 plus fees; Constables – $20.00 each; Board of Health – $50.00 each; Board of Welfare – $25.00 each; and the Tree Warden be compensated at the rate of $2.10 per hour; The Park Commissioners be compensated at the rate of $1.90 per hour; and that all salaries and wages be effective as of April 1.

ARTICLE 4. To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Available Funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and to provide for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

SEE "Budget Expenditures and Recommendations" on Page 117.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $138.49 to pay unpaid 1967 Bills.

RECOMMEND that $138.49 be appropriated to pay unpaid bills of 1967.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of ($95,000.00) Ninety-five thousand dollars for the construction and original equipping of a Town Office Building including library facilities, and to meet said appropriation the sum of $10,000.00 be taken from the Stabilization Fund and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized and directed to issue and sell as one issue, or from time to time as two or more issues, serial bonds or notes of the Town aggregating $85,000.00 in principal amount under authority of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws, as amended, and that all bonds or note shall be issued and

sold in accordance with the applicable provisions of Law, but each issue of bonds or notes shall be a separate loan which shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date thereof, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Recommendation will be made on Town Meeting floor.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $8,500.00 for the purchase and installation of a fire alarm system, such system to include the existing two schools, the Housing for the Elderly and the center of Town. Proposed system to be constructed so as to be expandable at any future time.

RECOMMEND that $8,500.00 be appropriated for the purchase and installation of a basic Fire Alarm network.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for replacing the heating system in the Taft Public Library.

Recommendation will be made on Town Meeting floor.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2,500.00 for the purpose of installing drainage on George Street.

RECOMMEND that $2,500.00 be appropriated for installing drainage on George Street.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 for the purpose of reconstruction work on Park Street.

RECOMMEND that $4,000.00 be appropriated for the continuation of reconstruction work on Park Street.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $2,734.76 from the proceeds of Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for the reconstruction of Bates Street.

RECOMMEND that $2,734.76 be appropriated from Chapter 616 of the Acts of 1967 for reconstruction work on Bates Street.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the purpose of providing for participation of eligible retarded children in a Regional Summer Recreation Program.

RECOMMEND that $500.00 be appropriated for a Regional Summer Recreational Program for Retarded Children.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of $1,000.00 from Mrs. Samuel B. Lincoln for the purpose of

establishing a Trust Fund in the name of Adrian and Ellen J. (Thayer) Scott and Malcolm D. and Ida M. (Barrows) Scott, the interest to be used for the care and maintenance of the above named Scott gravelots in Pine Hill Cemetery.

RECOMMEND

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to change the name of North Avenue Elementary School now known as the "Center School" to the "Henry P. Clough School" in honor of our recently retired and beloved educator Henry P. Clough.

RECOMMEND

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to place the "Town Beach Property" at Lake Nipmuc under the jurisdiction and control of the Park Commissioners, subject to the rules heretofore established as they may from time to time be amended.

RECOMMEND

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to abolish the Town Forest Committee and turn over the control of all property under its control to the Town Conservation Committee.

RECOMMEND

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 41, Section 97A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is an act authorizing the Police Department to be under the supervision of an officer to be known as the Chief of Police, or take any action thereon.

NOT RECOMMENDED

ARTICLE 18. To determine whether the Town will vote to petition the General Court to pass an act entitled "An Act providing life tenure for Patrick E. Dunlavey, incumbent of the office of Chief of Police of the Town of Mendon".

NOT RECOMMENDED

Polls will close at 8:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy in three or more public places in the Town of Mendon at least seven days before said meeting; one copy thereof shall be posted on the Town Hall Building.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said town before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Mendon, this nineteenth day of February A.D. 1968.

Kenneth Taylor
E. Theodore Giatas
Arthur Wiersma
SELECTMEN OF MENDON

A true copy, attest:

Raymond A. Rogers
Constable of Mendon

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